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DIARY

OF

MR. JOHN D'OYLY.

(Afterwards SIR JOHN D'OYLY, BART., Resident, Principal
Accredited Agent, and First Commissioner of the British
Government in the Kandyan Provinces)
1810—1815.

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HISTORICAL INTRODUCTION.

- 1796—On February 16th, 1796, Colombo fell into the hands of the British and with it the dominion of the maritime provinces of Ceylon.
- 1798—Two years later, the King of Kandy, Rájádhirája Sipa, was deposed and Kannasámí, the son of a sister of one of his queens, raised to the throne by the first Adikar Pilima Talawuwé under the name of Śrí Wikrama Rájasiṃha. The new King was but eighteen years old and for some time the minister was supreme. His object, as he avowed later, was to render the government of his puppet obnoxious to the chiefs and people and, expelling the Malabār family which had ruled since 1739, to found a native dynasty in his own person. Pilima Talawuwé claimed royal descent and hoping to make his daughter queen gave her to the king in concubinage, but the latter on the advice of his relatives and the other chiefs took to wife the two daughters of Gampola Déwiyó (Feby. 1801). Meanwhile the rival claimant to the throne Muttusámí or Buddhasámí, whose three sisters had married the deposed king, fled to the British territory and was accorded a residence in Jaffna.
- 1799—In 1799, the Adikar opened communications with Governor the Honourable Frederic North, with whom he had several interviews at Avissáwélla. In the course of these he solicited His Excellency's aid, his plans being to assassinate his sovereign and to place himself on the throne: in return he

- 1799 undertook to make the British masters of the country. His proposals, however, were rejected, the Governor stipulating for the safety of the king and the maintenance of his dignity. Pilima
- 1800 Talawuwé now appeared to renounce his murderous designs and the sanction of the king having been obtained, General MacDowal was despatched in March 1800 to Kandy as ambassador with a considerable escort. Negotiations however fell through, as the British proposals were not acceptable to the court, while the Kandyan demand for a sea-port was rejected by Government.
- 1802—Negotiations however continued, and in February 1802 Migastenné, second Adikar and son-in-law of Pilima Talawuwé, arrived as ambassador at Colombo, and attempts were secretly made to renew the first Adikar's proposals. These together with an offer to allow the British to cut a road across the country to Trincomalee without the knowledge of the king being rejected, Pilima Talawuwé resolved on war, and seized the arecanuts and baggage cattle of some Puttalam traders, the areca valued at £1000 being sold by the Adikar's people at Ruwanwella. No redress having been given in answer to remonstrances to the court,
- 1803 war was declared on January 31st 1803 and General MacDowal placed in charge of the operations. On February 24th Kandy was taken and on the 8th of the following month Muttusámi crowned as king, and a treaty concluded, by which the British obtained large concessions.

Pilima Talawuwé meanwhile remained by the side of Śrī Wikrama and intrigued with the British, whose strength he exhausted in useless expeditions undertaken at his suggestions. On March 28th MacDowal had an interview with the second Adikar and a treaty was proposed, by which Muttusámi was to hold his court at Jaffna, Pilima Talawuwé ruling the kingdom with the title of Utum Kumárayan, while a road to Trincomalee, Fort MacDowal (Mátalé) and the whole of Seven Kóralés were to be ceded to the British.

On April 1st, the General left Kandy, leaving a small garrison under Colonel Barbut, and a few troops stationed elsewhere in the country. Pilima Talawuwé now expressed a desire to interview the

1803 Governor, who set out for the purpose for Dainbadeniya. Here on the 3rd May he met the Adikar and the treaty of the 28th March was confirmed. The fortunate arrival of Colonel Barbut with a force from Kandy frustrated the Adikar's design of seizing the person of Mr. North.

Colonel Barbut died in Colombo on May 21st and the command of the troops in Kandy, many of whom were sick in hospital, devolved on Major Davie. On the 23rd, MacDowal arrived in Kandy at the urgent request of the Adikar; the minister however failing to appear, he left for Colombo on the 11th of the next month. On the 23rd the truce was broken by the Kandyans seizing the fortified posts of Galagedara and Giritihagama. On the next day, a general attack on the British position in Kandy followed; only 20 convalescents were available and after a fusillade of ten hours Major Davie capitulated, on being promised a safe conduct to Trincomalee, the care of the sick being undertaken by the Adikar. The troops thereupon marched out, but finding the Mahaweli Ganga in flood encamped at Watapuluwa. On the 25th the king repudiated the terms of the capitulation; but promised permission to retire in safety, if Muttusami were delivered up, and resistance being impossible this was done. On the 26th the king ordered all to return to Kandy unarmed on pain of death. The officers were thereupon taken to the capital, and the men massacred only a few escaping, while the sick at the hospital in Kandy, numbering 120, were put to death. According to the Kandyan version Davie and two officers were invited on the 26th to meet the Adikar half way to Kandy to make the final arrangements for the conveyance of the troops across the river. They went, but were met by three Chiefs, of whom Mullagama and Millawa Disawa of Wellasse were two, and were informed that the king desired to have an interview with Davie. The Major consented, and he and his companions were imprisoned. On a message purporting to be from Davie, the troops laid down their arms and were massacred, while Muttusami was taken to Kandy and executed. The surviving detachments fought their way to the coast or were relieved and on July 2nd no British troops remained in the Kandyan provinces.

- 1803 Elated by their success, the Kandyans in August and September descended on all sides into the British Settlements: the king went in person to take Colombo, but being repulsed at Hanwella Fort on the 6th September fled precipitately. Overtaken in his flight by Lewuké Disáwa of the Three and Four Kóralés and Palipáné the Maha Lékam, he ordered their immediate execution charging them with sitting under a tree instead of directing the attack. Reprisals were made by the British, while disaffection in their territories
- 1804 was fostered by the court. Next year a simultaneous invasion of the kingdom from all sides was ordered, but was countermanded. Captain Johnston of Batticaloa, however, misunderstanding his orders, marched with a small force to Kandy, which he took on October 6th, but finding himself unsupported, withdrew on the 9th and marching through hostile country, reached Trincomalee on the 20th.
- 1805.—February, 1805, saw another invasion by the Kandyans who were repulsed on all sides, and a mutual cessation of hostilities ensued. On the 19th July of this year, Thomas Maitland assumed the Government.
- 1808.—About 1808 the second Adikar Migasténné died and his Disáwany of the Seven Kóralés were given conjointly to his successor Èhélépola and Molligoda the elder. Double services being thus required, the people revolted. Pilima Talawuwé offered to reduce them to submission, and succeeded: the Disáwany was then divided, Ihala Dołos Pattu being given to him, while his son-in-law Ratwatté obtained Pahala Dołos Pattu.
- 1811.—Major General Wilson succeeded Maitland as Lieutenant Governor on March 19th 1811. Advantage was taken of the period of peace by the king to beautify his capital by the construction of the upper lake and the building of the Octagon and other works, all of which pressed hard on the common people. Meanwhile D'Oyly's Diary clearly shows the growing unpopularity of the monarch among the greater as well as among the lesser

1811 chiefs. Unable to trust them, he became daily more suspicious and jealous of their power, in particular of that of Pilima Talawuwé, who incurred his wrath by a proposal to marry his son to the natural granddaughter of Kirttisri. This was regarded as an attempt to gain the throne, and the Adikar was deprived of all his offices and sent to his village in disgrace. The fallen minister thereupon conspired to assassinate his master, but on the night appointed the Malay Muhandiram found the King unexpectedly awake, and the districts of Uḍunuwara and Yaṭinuwara rose, the deed still unaccomplished. The Muhandiram fled to Colombo: Pilima Talawuwé and Ratwatté were imprisoned and executed, the occurrence of a festival day saving the Adikar's son from a similar fate. Tradition says that these occurrences which took place in May and June wrought such an effect in the king's mind that he never slept two watches of the night in the same place.

Eḥelépola, though suspected by the king as the nephew by marriage of Pilima Talawuwé, was appointed first Adikar, his late office being given to the aged Unambuwa, who dying in 1813 was succeeded by the elder Molligoda. In the Maritime Provinces Sir Robert Brownrigg became Governor on the 11th March 1812.

1812.—In December of the same year Mámpitiyé Loku Baṇḍára, the natural son of Kirttisri, was cut to pieces at Hunukoṭuwa for alleged treason. Dumbara, Héwáḥeta, Kotmalé, Úva, and Walapané in which districts the king placed confidence were forbidden intercourse with the rest of the kingdom and all persons not natives of them as well as all priests and Moors were bidden to depart, an order which, in many instances breaking up families, served but to increase the disaffection already existing.

1813.—In 1813, Sri Wíkrama married the two daughters of Degal Sámí: Eḥelépola's presents were considered mean and he and the other chiefs were ordered to their provinces. Complaints against the Adikar began to arrive from Sabaragamuwa, his disáwany; he protested against the order to enforce the exaction of 'marála' or heriots, the payment of which had become obsolete, and finally in March

1814 1814 was summoned to Kandy. Knowing his probable fate too well to comply, he began to correspond with the Governor, who however refused assistance to his proposed revolt, pending a more decided expression of Kandyan feeling. On raising the standard of rebellion, he was deprived of office: Molligoda Disáwa of the Four Kóralés was appointed in his place and despatched to suppress the outbreak, and in May Ehelépola fled to Colombo where he was received unofficially by the Governor. Some explanation of his treatment by the king may be found in the fact that his letters passed through the Four Kóralés, where according to tradition they were tampered with by Molligoda. Antipathy undoubtedly existed between the two chiefs and it was perhaps this which kept Molligoda loyal in the rebellion of 1817-1818.

The rebels captured in Sabaragamuwa were executed: the old offence of the Seven Kóralés was again investigated and many of the principal headmen of that province tried and condemned to death by a commission of three, one of whom was Molligoda against whom they had previously rebelled. Execution now followed execution: Puswellé Disáwa, once the favourite, was arraigned for the disrespectful manner in which Puswellé Gabaḍa Nilamé was alleged to have presented his brother's offerings and fell a victim to the tortures which he himself had taught the king. Ehelépola Disáwa son of the Disáwa of Úva was executed and the ex-Adikar's children beheaded, their mother being compelled to pound their heads in a mortar, after which she and the Disáwa's wife were drowned in the Bogambara lake. The children were put to death under the king's eyes in Déwasanhiṇḍa between the Maha and Nátha Déwálés, and Śrī Wikrama thus added sacrilege to his other offences, while he alienated the priesthood by executing Paranátala or Moratoḷa Kuḍá Unnásé. The withdrawal of a detachment stationed to guard the frontier during Ehelépola's rebellion led to preparations for invasion of the maritime provinces by the king, and the simmering rebellion and unrest in the Kandyan country rendered action by Government imperative. While war was contemplated and D'Oyly negotiating with Molligoda hostilities were precipitated by the barbarous

1814 mutilation of ten cloth merchants, British subjects, in July.

Arrangements were now made for the invasion of the Kandyan country, and, the despatch of reinforcements from Madras being countermanded, the troops were disposed in eight divisions:—

- I. Major Hook, 2nd Ceylon Regiment—
430 men—from Colombo
- II. (reserve) Lieutenant Colonel
O'Connel, 73rd Regiment—
780 men—from Colombo
- III. Major Kelly, 4th Ceylon Regiment—
402 men—from Galle
- IV. (reserve) Colonel Murray, 4th Ceylon
Regiment—
642 men—from Galle &
Hambantota
- V. Major D. Mackay, 3rd Ceylon Regiment—
445 men—from Trincomalee
- VI. (reserve) Major General Jackson &
under him Lieutenant Colonel
Rainsford, 19th Regiment—
500 men—from Trincomalee
- VII. Captain Anderson, 19th Regiment—
205 men—from Batticaloa
- VIII. Captain De Bussche, 1st Ceylon
Regiment—
225 men and a free corps
of Malays raised by that
officer: total 340 men—
from Negombo.

On December 9th Major Hook accompanied by Ehelépola advanced to Hanwella, and early in
1815 January proceeded to Avissáwella; here he was met by D'Oyly as the Governor's Commissioner who conducted the negotiations with the disaffected Kandyan. On the 10th Ehelépola's adherents in the Three Kóralés encountered the King's troops who routed and pursued them across the Sitáwaka Ganga into British territory. War was declared the same day, and on the 11th Hook crossed the frontier and accompanied by the people of the district distinguished by white bands on their arms

1815 under D'Oyly advanced to Ruwanwella, at the ford of which place the enemy was posted. On the 20th the troops advanced from Mattamagoda to Iddamalpána when it appears Molligoda was wounded in the heel. Hetṭimulla was reached on the 24th and the Maha Oya forded after some show of resistance at Attápiṭiya on the 29th. The division proceeded next day to Ganétenna where Molligoda appeared before Hook in the guise of a messenger from himself.

On February 1st Hook skirted the Alagalla range with the object of turning the Kandyan position and two days later took the forts of Galagedara and Girihárama. Meanwhile on the 2nd Major Moffat ascended Balané, when a period of inaction ensued to enable the other detachments to take position around Kandy.

On the 6th the Governor, who had left Colombo on the 1st arrived in the camp of the 2nd division at Ganétenna in time to receive the surrender of Molligoda in state on the 8th. On the 10th the division ascended the hills and reached Amunupura, while Ehelépola entered Uḍunuwara by another pass. Next day Major Brownrigg reached Gannoruwa and the king fled the capital; a proclamation was also issued, annexing the Four and the Three Kóralés and Sabaragamuwa. On the 12th the advance guard under Major Willerman entered Kandy, followed by the Governor on the 14th. The capture of the King was the next object; a detachment under Lieutenant Mylius accompanied by Ehelépola, sent in pursuit, defeated Muttal Sámi at Hakketuwágala and on the 18th Śrī Wikrama was a prisoner. On March 2nd a convention of the Kandyan chiefs was held in Kandy and King George III proclaimed sovereign of the whole of Ceylon.

Many causes contributed to the fall of the Sinhalese monarchy. Among others may be mentioned the personal disaffection to the King who through the intrigues of Pilima Talawuwé had become hateful for his cruelties, the deterioration of his character being largely due to his inability to trust any of his chiefs. The king in consequence attempted to break their power by encouraging the local councils, known as Raṭa sabé and

1815 Gamsabé, and by dividing the disáwanies, a policy, as already seen, carried into effect in the case of the Seven Kóralés, and pursued in 1814 with Úva and Sabaragamuwa. Many of the chiefs moreover were heavily indebted to the Náykkars of the Royal family, and looked to the subversion of the dynasty to escape from their liabilities. In addition to the foregoing was the secular suspicion of the Government of the maritime provinces on the part of the court, resulting in a duplicity which rendered all treaties nugatory; this, with the geographical position of the British settlements round the coast and the substitution of a strong for a weak power, rendered the existence of a hostile power in the interior impossible.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTICE.

John D'Oyly, born June 11th 1774, was the second son of Archdeacon Mathias D'Oyly, rector of Buxted, co. Sussex from 1788 till his death in 1815, and came of a family of ancient descent. Educated at Westminster School, he became a commoner and fellow of Benet College, Cambridge, where he took his degree of B.A. in 1796. He arrived in Ceylon as writer in September 1801, his appointment probably being due to Lord Liverpool, later Secretary of State for the Colonies and afterwards Prime Minister, the principal resident of Buxted.

In 1802 he was appointed Second Member of the Provincial Court of Colombo. On July 7th 1803, he was given the office of President of the Provincial Court at Matara, at which place he studied under Karatota

Náyaka Unnánse. On February 22nd 1804 he was appointed as Agent of Revenue and Commerce for the district of Má tara, with which on May 2nd of the same year the district of Galle was amalgamated under his control. On July 10th 1805, as a reward for his proficiency in Sinhalese he was given the Chief Translatorship to Government, a post which he held until he resigned it on June 12th 1816, and on February 12th 1806, became Agent of Revenue and Commerce for the district of Colombo, a title which in 1808 was changed for that of Collector. In his capacity of Chief Translator he was entrusted with all negotiations with the Court and chiefs of Kandy, and the diary now printed is a record of his work in this direction. It was found in the Kandy Kachcheri; the few pages then in private hands have since been recovered and placed with the main document.

On August 12th 1814, he was made Civil Auditor General and Chief Translator and on November 30th Military Auditor General: as holding the combined offices, he was to be styled Auditor General as from December 1st of that year.

In the war of 1815, D'Oyly was attached to the troops as Commissioner of His Excellency the Governor and entrusted with the negotiations with the Kandyan chiefs. On March 2nd, he was appointed Resident of the newly acquired provinces and Member of His Majesty's Council on Ceylon and on September 11th of the following year was gazetted as from October 1st Resident and First Commissioner of the Board formed to administer the affairs of the late kingdom. On July 27th (*var.* August 29th) 1812, he was created a Baronet of the United Kingdom but did not live to enjoy the dignity long, dying in Kandy on May 25th 1824 of fever contracted in the Seven Kóralés, in his fiftieth year. His remains were buried in the Garrison Cemetery, where an inscription to his memory exists; a copy of the same appears on a tablet in St. Peter's Church, Colombo.

The following is from the Ceylon Gazette of May 29th 1824:—

"Died. At Kandy on the 25th Instant at 1 o'clock A.M. of Remittent Fever caught on an Official Tour in the Seven Korles, The Honourable Sir John D'Oyly Baronet, a Member of His Majesty's Council in Ceylon and Resident and First Commissioner of Government in the Kandyan Provinces.

His remains were removed from his late residence in the Palace for Interment in the Burial Ground of the Garrison on the morning of the 26th Inst. at 7 o'clock the troops of the Garrison lining the road from the Palace to the Burial Ground resting on their arms reversed, while Minute Guns were fired by the Royal Artillery in the Castle, as the Procession moved along in the following order

The Korales and Arachchies of the Udaratte.
The Band of the Ceylon Regiment

THE BODY,

Borne by twelve European Soldiers of the 45th Regiment.

The Pall borne by six Field Officers and Captains of the Garrison.

Chaplain The Rev. N. Garstin. Medical Attendant Surgeon Armstrong.

Lieut. Colonel L. Greenwell, S. Sawers, Esqr., H. Wright, Esqr., the Commissioners of the Board, as Chief Mourners.

Officers of the Garrison & Gentlemen of Kandy.

The Adigar of the Kandyan Provinces & Kandyan Chiefs.

Modliars, Mohandirams of the Residency, Clerks of the Public Offices, together with an immense concourse of Natives.

To all in Ceylon and everyone in any way connected with this Island, no Eulogium on the character of Sir John D'Oyly is necessary; and to those unacquainted with the deceased, Language must fail in conveying an adequate idea of his worth as a man and merit as a Public Servant.

His talents and acquirements were of the first order, and little doubt will be entertained on this head, when it is known that before he quitted Westminster, he was particularly distinguished by the friendship of the late learned Head of that School Dr. Vincent, with whom we have heard he maintained a correspondence till the death of the Reverend

Doctor: The honorable and high feelings which were conspicuous in Sir John D'Oyly's character, combined with an amiable gentleness of disposition, naturally produced a courteousness of manner which made his society much more desired by all who were acquainted with him, than his laborious zeal in the execution of his public duties would allow of their enjoying it; while the esteem and admiration of his countrymen and friends were fully shared by the natives of every part of Ceylon in which his official functions had been displayed, and towards whom authority was always exercised by the deceased, with such strict and patent justice, tempered with attention to all their wants, and a general charitableness of disposition, that their regret as evinced by the numbers of all ranks in and about Kandy who spontaneously attended the funeral and loudly lamented the loss they had sustained, we fully believe to be unfeigned and sincere.

The merits and exertions of Sir John D'Oyly as a Public Servant, and principally as connected with the addition to His Majesty's Dominions of the larger part of this Island, have, our readers will know, been duly appreciated by the highest authorities. His Majesty's approbation was first conveyed in the Dispatch from the Secretary of State to Sir Robert Brownrigg published by the Government here on the 1st of June 1816 in the following words:—

'I am also commanded particularly to express the sense which His Royal Highness (The Prince Regent) entertains of the conduct and services of Mr. D'Oyly upon the late occasion. To his intelligence in conducting the negotiations first with the Kandyan Government and latterly with the Adikars and others who opposed it, to his indefatigable activity in procuring information and in directing the Military Detachments, the complete success of the Enterprise is principally owing; and His Royal Highness avails himself with pleasure, of this opportunity of expressing, how greatly he appreciates, not only Mr.

D'Oyly's latter Services, but those which he has at former periods by his attention to the Kandyan Department, rendered to the Colony and his Country.'

His Majesty's approval thus expressed, was afterwards followed by the elevation of the deceased to the dignity of a Baronet of the United Kingdom on the 27th July 1821. This title becomes extinct, as Sir John died without heirs, never having been married."

ABBREVIATIONS.

Acct.	..	..	Account.
Agt., Agst.	..	..	Against.
Amm., Ammm., Amms.	..	..	Ammunam, Ammunams.
Appuhy., Appuhs., Apphs.	..	..	Appuhamy, Appuhamies.
Compts.	..	..	Compliments.
Contg.	..	..	Containing.
Ct.	..	..	Cubit.
Decd.	..	..	Deceased.
Dis.	..	..	Disawe.
Exey., Excellly.	..	..	Excellency.
Fs.	..	..	Fanams.
Govr.	..	..	Governor.
Govt.	..	..	Government.
G. Gate.	..	..	Great Gate.
Hd.	..	..	Head.
H. E.	..	..	His Excellency.
H. P.	..	..	Hatpattu.
Inht., Inhabts., Inhabitts.	..	..	Inhabitant, Inhabitants.
K.	..	..	Korle.
Lasca.	..	..	Lascorins.
Lt.	..	..	Lieutenant.
Modr., Modrs.	..	..	Modeliar.
Mohm., Mohandrm., Mohands.	..	..	Mohandiram, Mohandirams.
P.	..	..	Pattu, Pice.
Ps.	..	..	Parrahs.

Pol. Vid.	..	..	Police Vidan.
P. N. Pags.	..	..	Porto Novo Pagodas.
Qr.	..	..	Quarter.
Recd.	..	..	Received.
R D., R Drs.	..	..	Rix Dollars.
Str. Pags.	..	..	Star Pagodas.
Unn.	..	..	Unnanse.
Vid.	..	..	Vidan.
Vill.	..	..	Village.
W.	..	..	Watte.

TRANSLITERATION.

D'Oyly's system of transliteration, though not perfect or systematically carried out, was far in advance of that prevalent in Ceylon in his day. The vowels generally are those adopted in the existing Government scheme, though e often appears at the end of words for short a: long vowels are marked with acute, grave or circumflex accents. The vowel et appears as ey, while et , et and et are represented by nd , t and d .*

* It has not been possible to reproduce the accents and these symbols in printing the Diary.—*Ed. Sec.*

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Sept. 4th.—Recd. Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. informing That Eyhelepola came to Ruwanweylle on the 1st with 2 Elephants, & 2 Horses & Palanquin—Went on 2d. to Panawala—on 3d to Kuruwita—Disawe of 3 Korles expected at Ruwanweylle on 2d.—And Disawe of 4 K. expected at Beyligala—

.. 5th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. informing, That the Rest-House of Iddamalpana is preparing Night and Day for the Disawes, who are coming down—Also that the Chalias of *Eytnapitiya, who carry the Palanquin of Disawe of 4 Korles are gone, because it is said, that the Disawe of 4 K. is going to Kandy on the 2d.—

.. 6th.—Ola from S. Dias Modr.—informing, That the 2d. Adhikar is gone to Saffragam—the Disawe of 3 Korles arrived at Ruwanweylle—Disawe of 4 K. will come to Beyligala on the 9th.—Pilima Talawuwe and Rakwatte Nilame both set out for 7K. on Sunday—The other Disawes also are gone to their Districts—They have not more Attendants, than is usual on such Occasions—No one knows the Object of their journey—but the inferior Head Men talk in secret, as tho' they thought, they were coming for War—

* Etnáwala.

Sept. 6th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—It is reported, that at the late Perahera, a Pattany Chief, & 4 others came to Kandy by Way of Nalande, & that the next Day, the King ordered all the Disawes to depart to their Disawanies—Eyheylepola stopped at Panawala 3 Days on account of the Rain, & went to Kuruwita on the 4th.—No Intelligence that Armed People accompanied them, or that Order is given to assemble them Molligoda Nilame arrived at Ruwanweylle on 4th.—The Disawe of 4 K. at Beyligala—No Information, that Armed Men attended them—There is a Report, that an Order has been given to make a large Quantity of Iron Balls at Saffragam—

5th.—Messenger arrived informs to the following Effect—He reached Ruanweylle on Friday Morning and found the 2d. Ad'hikar already arrived—He remained there that Day, & the next Day saw him pass the River on his way to Saffragam in a Pade belonging to People of Moratuwa, to whom he gave 2 Pagodas—He was accompanied by 400 Men, a Part of whom belonged to Saffragam, & had been to Kandy for the Perahera—They had amongst them 6 Match-locks & 32 Musquets—As soon as the 2d. Ad'hikar had set off, the Messenger proceeded to meet the Disawe of 3 Korles who was hourly expected—He found him on Sunday morning at Kotikaha Cumbura—& followed him & his Suite to Ruwanweylle the same Day—The Disawe was attended by about 150 Men, amongst whom were 3 Match-locks & about 25 Musquets—When the Messenger left Ruwanweylle on Monday, the Hd. Men were assembling to pay their Respects, but he did not learn, that any Order had been given for the common People to assemble—It was the common Report amongst the Natives, that the Disawe of Saffragam was come to catch Elephants, the Disawe of 3 Korles, to see his District—It was said that the Disawe of 4 Korles had arrived at Attapitiya, & the Dis. of 7 Korles in that District—

Sept. 7th. Friday Night.—4 Messengers of Ambatela arrive & state to the following Effect—They reached Ruwanweylle yesterday Morning at about 9, & remained there till 2—The Disawe is in a Rest House on the other Side of the River near the road, hearing the People's Complaints & Cases—There

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is a great Number of People assembled, & amongst them about 100, who accompanied the Disawe from Kandy—There are 7 Kodituwaku near the Rest-House. No Musquets & no Armed Men—All the People say, that the Disawe had come to catch Elephants—It was reported, that 3 Malabar Men with Talappas had arrived in Kandy, and that the Disawes were all dispatched the following Day—The People say, that they shall have their Heads cut off, if they surmised, that the Disawes are come down to make War, but they secretly seem to think so—

Sept. 10th. Monday.—Sinnaya, of Orta Seda attends and informs, That he left Ruwanweylle yesterday at 11 A.M.—The Disawe is residing there at the Rest-House near the Road—He is doing nothing—2 other Rest-Houses are building within the 3 Korles—He takes a great Deal from the People—& sends Order after Order to the 3 Tavellams for Karawala, Sugar, Sugar Candy &c.—

Sept. 10th.—Kirihamy, of Atupatdeniya, attends & informs, That he left Ambagala in 4 K., 3 Days ago—His Brother (Kudamma's Son) returned from Kandy 10 Days ago, & related, that the Disawes of 7 K. & 4 K. were to descend to-day—A Rest-House is prepared at Iddamalpana no where else—His Brother also informed, that about a Month ago, a Number of White Men came to Kandy, by Nalande, and stayed 1 Day & went away—It is the general Report, that the Disawes are come to catch Elephants—

Sept. 11th.—A Man of Ambatela relates, that he left Ruwanwelle 3 Days ago—The Disawe is there doing nothing, but receiving People & Presents—It was at first said, that the Disawes were come to catch Elephants, but it is now supposed, that they only came to visit their New Districts—

Sept. 12th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Vague Report, that Disawe of Saffragam has directed secretly all those, who have not Dutch Guns, to procure them—And that a Maha Lekam is proceeding to Saffragam from Kandy—Excepting that the Disawe of 3 K. is at Ruwanweylle, & Disawe of 4 K. at Beyligala, there is no Intelligence of any Collection of Arms or Provisions, or other New Thing—There are now Guards in Kandy at several

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Sept. 13th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Molligoda Nilame gone to Ruwanweylle. Eyheylepole to Saffragam 8 Days ago—Rakwatte Nilame gone to 7 K. & Son of Pallegampahe to arrive at Attapitiya on 9th. Sunday—It is reported, that the Disawe came down, to catch Elephants; but some People say, for War—

Sept. 16th.—Andries Vid. Aratchy, of Attanagalla, attends and communicates Information recd.—The Messenger who went to Beyligala returned on Thursday, & learnt, that the Disawe of 4 K. was arrived at Kattota Walawuwe, near Walgowagoda, and was residing there & *Magul Kanawa—Expected at Beyligala, but his Journey uncertain—The Roads are cleared—but no Preparations at the Rest-House—Another Messenger to Iddamalpana, returned from thence on Thursday. Disawe expected, but not arrived—It is said, that 1st. Ad'hikar objects to his Son's going to 4 K. on account of his Age—& wishes to take him to 7 K.—Also that Lead & Gunpowder has been brought to Kattota Walawuwe—A Moorman who went to Handugala reported—That Rakwatte Nilame is arrived at Itanawatte—& was expected at Mirihanpitiya (N. B. 2 Places close to each other) where the Rest-House is in readiness—Also that the Disawe had sent to Kandy the Paduwas of Talampitiya & Diwala, belonging to Ihala dolos P.—to be drilled with the Malays—Pilama Talawuwe was expected in 7 K.—

Sept. 16th.—Salmon Dias Modr. sends Ola recd. from Mutugala Lekam—Informing, that Molligoda Nilame is gone to Demala Pattuwa (Puttalam)—Disawe of 7 K. comes to Mirihanpitiya Walawuwe on Sunday 11th.—For Disawe of 4 K., Wiyan is hung in Attapitiya Rest-House & Provisions prepared—Whether they are come for War or other Cause—do not know—Also Ola from another Spy in Kandy—Informing, Molligoda Nilame gone to Ruwanweylle—the Bandara of Pallegampahe, having obtained 4 K.—is at Kattota Walawuwe—Rakwatte Nilame Disawe of Pahala dolos P. is coming

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to Mirihanpitiya—Pallegampahe, Disawe of Ihala Dolos P. coming to Kuruneygala—The Younger Brother of Eyheylepole, Disawe of Wanny—is gone thither—

The Younger Brother of Molligoda, Dis. of Dumbara & Tamankada, gone thither—

The Paduwas of Diwela & Talampitiya, are gone to Kandy to drill with the Malays—Learnt from a Paduwa of Diwela, that Gunpowder is bringing from Kandy, by Way of the 4 K.—

Sept. 17th.—The 2 Messengers Angodege, of Weliwatte dispatched to Batugedere arrive & inform, That they left Batugedera 3 days ago and remained 3 Days at the House of Eylapata Rale—the 2d. Adikar is residing there at the Rest-house, not hearing Complaints, nor doing any thing—He has no Horse, but rides on an Eyta to the Kaluganga, and takes his Pleasure in a Moratuwa Pade—The Work of the Rest-house is still unfinished. It is covered with Olas, & still enlarging—The Adikar has ordered Habarala to be planted all round the Rest-house, & has ordered Blacksmiths to erect Workshops, near it, saying for the purpose of making Tools, Mommities &c—The People who attended him from Kandy are about 350—There are amongst them some Guns, Swords, & Castanas—& 7 Kodituwaku near the Rest-house—He gives out, that he is come, *'Rata meyda yanda', & that he shall come every Year—But the People say in Secret, that the Disawes are come down upon the Arrival of a Principal Malabar (attended by 2 or 3 others) dressed in Iron, viz. An Iron Cap & Jacket, and naked below—He came from the French, and carried a Letter upon an Iron Pin, being of such Importance, that he dared not bear it in his Hand—It is reported, that the French are making war in the Sea, off Galle & Matura, & that as soon as Firing is heard at Colombo Fort, the Disawes will all invade our Territory. The Principal Hd. Men at the Rest-house, but no Order for the People to assemble.

Sept. 17th.—Evening—Nilhamy of Mitirigala attends—He proceeded to Ruwanweyille on Friday sennight and stayed one Day—He learnt. that an Order is

* To go in the midst of the country, i.e., on circuit.

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given to make Oil in all the 4 Govt. Gardens there—
an Order is given to beat out Rice, as said, for a
Multitude of People, who are expected from Kandy,
coming to make War—The Disawe is still there.
No Additional Kadawat has been placed, since the
Disawe's Arrival. He returned to Malwana, &
was sent by the *Modr. to Saffragam on Monday—
He remained at Batugedere 2 Days at a Relation's
House—He went one Day to the Rest-house, &
saw the Ad'hikar sitting & hearing a Complaint.
He saw no Malabar Men, as reported, clothed in
Iron—An Order had been given to beat out Rice
from the Paddy of all the Bandara Fields—& every
Owner of 3 Amms. Extent is ordered to furnish 1
Amm. of Rice—An Order has been given for all
the People to bring their Arms to the Rest-house
on Thursday next—It is said, that the Disawes
from all Quarters are to invade Our Territory in 1
Day—& that they expect Assistance from Foreign-
ers.—

Sept. 19th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Disawe of
4 K. is at Attapitiya—has caught 2 wild Eytas—is
going to Iddamalpana—Dis. of 7 K. resides at Miri-
yanpitiya—5 Leagues distant from Maha Oye—
That Order is given to every Owner of Cattle to
keep in readiness, 1 Bullock, when required—No
Order yet to drive them.

Friday Evening—Sept. 21st.—Mudelyhamy Inht. of
near Batugedere informs—He went
with several other Inhts. of Saffragam on
Rajakaraya at the late Perahera—and remained in
Kandy some Days after—One Day he was sent with
several others to a Forest in the Neighbourhood of
Kandy to drag Timbers in the Morning—but in the
Afternoon they suddenly recd. Orders to return
immediately & were directed to be in readiness the
next Morning to depart to their Village—When the
Morning arrived, the Ad'hikar and other Disawes
went to the Palace, & from thence without going
to their Walawuwes set off across the † River—The
2d. Ad'hikar was accompanied by the Disawe of 3
Korles—This movement took place on Sunday
about the 11th. Day after the Diya keypilla, which
happened on the 1st. of the Full Moon—It is said
to have been occasioned by the Arrival of the

* A. Salmon Dias.

† Mahaweli Ganga.

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King's Uncle, who had previously been dispatched to a foreign Country. He had landed from a Ship, and left Kandy again the next Day to re-embark—& it is said, that when he comes back the Disawes will instantly invade our Territory on every side—At Attapitiya the 2d. Ad'hikar left the Dis. of 3 K. behind him, (to lessen the Burden on the People) & came on by easy Journies to Batugedere. Since his Arrival, the Hd. Men have been making their Appearance, & all the Inhts. of the Korle in general, have been directed to appear in Rotation, & have their Names written—

Himself made his Obeisance with 40 Bulat—His Name was written, & he set off for Colombo the next Day to buy Salt & Salt-Fish—The People were employed in enlarging the Rest-house, so as to contain a much larger Number of Men, than at present reside there—The fixed Contribution of Rice &c. incumbent on each Individual has been diminished by one half—But Rice is collecting—& it is said, that a Number of People are expected from Kandy—He did not learn before his Departure any Order for the People to collect Musquets at the Rest-house—but he heard something of such an Order being expected to issue—

Sept. 21st.—Ola from S. Dias Modr.—Alawaturage Baba Appu, of Mitirigala a Spy sent by him, has declared, that a Letter from the King was brought to the Dis. of 3 K. at Ruwanweylle last Saturday—That on the next Day, Sunday, 3 White Men, a Mohotti, & about 20 others came to the Disawe—One of the White Men was on horseback. That they returned the same Day to Iddamalpana—& that afterwards Order was given for collecting the Guns in that Disawany—Sends this Person to be questioned—That there are near the Disawe Kodituwaku & Bon-dikkula—That Guns are collected at the rate of 5 Guns from each Aratchy's Peruwa—And that Guns are collected in like manner in the 4 K.—has learnt from Liyanage Hamy Appu Wel Vidan of Radawanna; who learnt it from his Brother-in-law—Has sent the same Wel Vidan again—Also that Pabuluwege Sanchy Aratchy who fled to Kandy in last Revolt, has lately come to the Korle—& stayed 2 Nights at Nawagaspitiya, 3 Nights at Weyka—Enquiring, whether he shall apprehend & send him, if he comes again—

1810. **Sept. 22d.**—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Has learnt from Spies, That Maha Lekam Nilame arrived at Ruwanweylle on 18th—& on 20th. set off for Saffragam—& brought no Guns nor Gunpowder—That an elder Brother of Eyheylepola Adhikar is appointed Maha Lekam of 7 K. & gone thither—

Sept. 23d.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—According to my Sealed Ola of 15th. he has dispatched Persons to the Residences of the Disawes of 7 K. & 4 K.—Moreover he has learnt from the Villages adjoining to *Hap. K., That some Principal Hd. Men in the 7 K. near the Maha Oye have carried Penumkat, & appeared before the Disawe; but can learn no Collection of Arms, or Assembling of People, or furnishing of Adukku Peyhidun—To the Inhts. of 4 K., bordering on Hapit. K. no Order of any Kind has yet been given by the Disawe—Sends Don Simonge Tenhamy Kankan, who was dispatched to 4 K.—Don Simonge Tenhamy Kankan of Madabawita informs—He went with a Priest to Kawudugama Pansala 1½ Heytakma on this Side of Attapitiya—He went in the Day-time to the Kapurale's house at Alutnuwera, 1 Heytakma from the Place where the Dis. resides at Beyminiawatte Walawuwe—close to the Rest-house of Attapitiya—He stayed two Nights, & left the Pansala early the Day before yesterday—He learnt, that tame Elephants had been brought, & Cords for the purpose of catching Elephants, and that 1 has been caught.

The Disawe is doing nothing but hearing complaints—The People give the accustomed Peyhidum and appear. But he heard of no Order for assembling People or Arms—It was reported, that the Dis. was going to Galagomuwa—Distance from Limits to Galagomuwa 2 Leagues—From Galagomuwa to Attapitiya 2 Leagues—

Sept. 24th.—Monday Evening—Watutantryge Salmon Alwis Liyan Aratchy, of Kuruwe—of Orta Seda informs—He went to Ruwanweylle about 25 Days ago for a Wedarale to cure him of a Disorder—The 2d. Adikar had already passed, & the Disawe arrived at Ruwanweylle a Day or 2 after—Himself has been residing at the Tavellan of Nando Vidan, just over the † River & opposite to Palangomuwa W.—

* Hapitigam.

† Kelani Ganga.

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but he slept there only—& in the Day time was absent at Morawatte $\frac{1}{2}$ League from the *great Road—where he was employed in sawing Murutu Trees purchased from the Mohottale of the K.—The Disawe left Ruwanweyllē on the 7th. Day after the last Full Moon—being a good Neykat—& has since resided at Pannala—He is doing nothing, but hearing Complaints—He has sent back to Kandy the greater Part of his Attendants, lest they should be burthensome to the People—He has done away the Toll of 3 Sattalies, below Ruwanweyllē, which used to be exacted for every Float & Pade—& he has cancelled the Fee of 5 Sattalies, which the Mohottale exacted from every Prisoner, when released from Confinement at Palangomuwa W.—but still retained the Fee of RD. 1 to the Disawe, because it was always customary—There is no Order whatever for assembling People or Arms, or Collecting Provisions—The People furnish no more, than the usual Daily Supply to the Disawe & his Attendants—The Disawe, since he went to reside at Pannala, has been once to Palangomuwa W.—about a Day or 2 before himself left Ruwanwelle—He was absent at Morawatte & did not see him pass, but heard the Sound of his Tomtoms—He left Ruwanweyllē in a Float on Wednesday last—A Maha Lekam is said to be arrived—

Sept. 25th.—Ola from resident at Ruwanweyllē—The Disawe of 3 K. went on Wednesday to the Rest-house of Pannala—Moreover the Day before yesterday, Monday, a Maha came from Kandy, & takes Account of Guns & Men—And Preparations for making ready Provisions—A Maha Lekam came on Tuesday to Ruwanweyllē, & on Wednesday went to Saffragam—Certain Intelligence, that Disawe of 4 K. & a Lekam at Iddamalpana are doing the same—

Sept. 25th.—†Pallegampahe Maha Nilame namata kadadasi dekadka Maha gabada nilame namata kndadasiyakda Korlatune disawa namata kadadasiyakda Appuhamilla denna ate eyriyaya—

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* Colombo-Sitāwaka-Kandy Road.

† Sent by the hand of two Appuhāmis two letters to Pallégampahé Maha Nilamé, a letter to Maha Gabadhé Nilamé and a letter to the Disāwa of Three Kōralés.

Sept. 25th 1810. Dispatched the foregoing at about 11 A.M. by Wijayasingaratchyge Don Juan Appuhy., of Pagoda, & Kuruwitiaratchyge Don Hendrik Perera Appuhy., of Dalugan—

Sept. 28th.—Gave to Karagasweywa Unnanse, Passport for himself, Salindagoda, 4 other Upasampada—& 5 Samanera Priests, & 6 Servants—to proceed to * Ana—

Sept. 28th.—Koralege Don Johannes, of Mahara Informs—He went to the 7 K. within $\frac{1}{2}$ Days Journey of Anurad'hapura—was absent 1 Month & 20 Days—3 Disawes are come to the 7 K.—The Son of Pil. Tal. is at *Mirihenegama* (a Mistake)—The People of the Village advised him not to stay, lest they should be plundered—They say the Disawes are come to catch Elephants & to settle the late Insurrection—& to write Account of the Lands—& that they will be imprisoned & punished, if they say, they are come for War—The People have been ordered to assemble to catch Elephants, but not to assemble with Arms—& they furnish Provisions to the Rest-house—Whilst at Magulugama, a short Distance on this side of Deyduru Oye, 6 Dewiwaru passed by from Kandy to Puttelam—Hearing of their Approach he went $\frac{1}{2}$ a League out of the Way, & returning heard that they had passed—It is a certain Fact—They are said to be on their Way to Mad'hura—This happened 20 or 30 Days ago—Did not hear, when they went to Kandy—They carried Cloths, & brought back 6 Pingos of Duntel, & 1 of Wax—

Sept. 28th.—Evening—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. sending Radage Alenzuwa—Radage Alenzuwa, of Walbottala—informs—He went to Ahugoda in 7 K., where his Brother's Son-in-law a Vidan resides—& from thence accompanied him to Mirihanpitiya (7 Leagues from Maha Oye) where the Disawe Rakwatte Nil. resides—He comes to Mirihanpitiya by Day, & sleeps at Itanawatte, on the opposite Side of the Wela—He reached this Place in Afternoon, slept at the Rest-house, & returned the next Morning at 8—The Disawe had arrived about 15 Days before—He hears Complaints & levies many Fines from the

* ? Anurádhapura.

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Mohottales & others on acct. of the late Insurrection—A Number of people are assembled, & it is said, a Kraal is begun, but not finished, & no Elephants taken—It is said, There is an Order to catch & send to Kandy 4 Eytas & 4 Alis—The People are employed in cutting Timbers. They go & appear before the Disawe—& furnish Provisions for him & his Attendants about 50 in Number, amongst whom are Chalias of Konpale, his Palanquin Bearers—There is no Order for the People to assemble with Arms, nor Account taken of them—The Road has been cleared to Meyddepala Raja Maha Wihara, where it is said, the Disawe is expected—On his Return, at Eytampala, he met with 5 Dewiwaru all wearing Mundasana, who came from Kandy with the Disawe, & are now going about, worshipping at the Temples, & causing the Dewalas to be repaired—It is said also, that 5 Dewiwaru are gone to the Ihala Dolos P.—There is no Interruption whatever to Trade—Since the Disawe arrived, there is a Kadawat established at Giriula & Keyttewatte Mankada—no where else—It is said, the Disawes are come to appease the late Insurrection—Pallegampahe is at Wanduragala, where it is reported, a Kraal also is making—The Younger Molligoda is said to be in Demala Pattuwa—It is said, the Disawes all came down upon the Arrival of a Frenchman & a Dutchman in Kandy with these Dewiwaru. The 2 former returned immediately—

Sept. 28th.—Godamunne Unnanse informs—After leaving me the last time he went to Kandy—Major Davey had then left the Temple & was living in the *Street—He afterwards obtained the Office of Madige Disawe—& is now living at Palle Wahala, The Palace of the late Asthana Dewiyo—He came to Colombo 15 Days ago to buy Cloths, met Dedunupitiya Appu, was called to the Fort, & examined, recd. RD. 10 & sent again—He proceeded by 7 K.—at Katugastota, met the Maha Lekam coming down—He went to Kandy, & to avoid Suspicion, did not go to the Temple, but to the house of his Brother-in-law Mullegama Nilame, Wedikkara Nil. of Harasiya P.—Went Pindapata next Day—& returned in Afternoon—He saw at the Gabadawa 12 red Men, not so white as English.

* Kumáruppé Widiya.

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but the colour of the Dutch—They move out no where, are said to be lately arrived, & have frequent Intercourse with the 2 Dutchmen formerly resident there—He heard that 2 Malabars had arrived with Letter & had left Kandy the next Day—They were dressed in White, & wore a Mundasana—The Day of their Departure, the Maha Lekam came down—He did not see them—When the Disawes came down, neither White Men, nor Malabars had arrived—The 12 red Men wore red Cloths & 3 cornered Hats—The People of Ratahate are drilling in Kandy, & in the Korles, Account is taken of the People, & Guns—& Provisions are collecting—

Sept. 30th.—Godamunne Unnanse again attends—& relates in Detail—After leaving me, he went to Kandy, remained there 7 Days, came to his Gurunanse Dulleywa at Embaraluwa—remained 3 Days—went to Kandy—continued 10 Days—Went to Pallegampahe in Evening to ask leave to come to Pata Rata; but he was gone to the Wahala—He went again next Morning—Pallegampahe said, 'It is well, we are going too, you had better come with us'—He accompanied him, Rakwatte Nilame, Disawes of Nuwara kalawiya & Matale, Sons of Decd. Eyheylepola—across the River—& then came to Colombo—He was sent again, & returned in 9 Days—This last time, he saw near the Wedibetge several Packets of Gunpowder in Casks made of hollowed Tal Trees—on the point of being dispatched to the Korles—Tamby Modr. discredits all he says—He will not therefore go again with any Person sent by him—

Oct. 2d.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Sept. 30th—Has learnt from a Spy, that the Disawe of 4 K. is preparing to catch Elephants—& is taking Account of the Lands which the People possess, more than belongs to their Weyda Wasams—

„ 2d.—Ola from S. Dias Modr.—Sends Ahamadu lebbe Bawa lebbe, a Spy sent to 7 K., from whom he before sent to me an Ola of Intelligence on 14th.—

„ 2d. Ola from S. Dias Modr. Date Sept. 30th—Molligoda Nilame is residing at Hatagoda—On Wednesday last at about 9 P.M., having heard the Beating of somewhere, he instantly caused to be brought his Horse & Elephant, &

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People with Arms, & sent Messengers in every Direction, but cannot learn till now, where the was beaten nor who did it—That the Roads & Bye-Paths, are every where cleared, except within 1 Heytakma, $1\frac{1}{2}$ or 2 Heytakma from our Limits—That within 8 or 10 Days, the Maha Lekam, the Walawuwe Mohottale, Mohottale of 3 K., & 3 Korales are coming to Indurana & Waha-raka on the Limits, giving out, for the purpose of writing the Fields—but he has learnt from a Korale, that it is with Intention of raising Insurrection amongst our People—That 8 Days ago, a Messenger from Colombo told the Disawe, that Enemies Ships had come to Colombo & fired—which News was sent to Kandy—That in Kandy 4 Smiths' Workshops are erected, & Iron Balls are making, he learnt from a Messenger, who carried the Disawe's Letters to Kandy—All these Matters, he informs, as written by Andries Vidan Aratchy—who learnt them from Philippu, who lives at Mahalle in Kandy—

2d.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Date 2d—Molligoda Nilame is residing near *Panna $\frac{1}{2}$ League distant from Ruwanweylle—Eyheylepola Adikaram at Batugedere—has learnt no Collection of Arms or other Thing—Maha Lekam Nilame who came to Saffragam, is gone & residing at a village in Kandy near to Katuwana in Matara—That the Roads leading to Matara are clearing & preparing, have learnt from Spies sent to enquire Matters—Besides that there is a Vague Rumour concerning some Matters towards Trincomale & a Vague Rumour, that the King of Kandy is gone towards Trincomale, have learnt from Spies—Moreover, having heard Sound of Firing 2 or 3 Kodituwaku from the side of Ruwanwelle to-day, the 2d., at about 11 o'clock, have sent Men to enquire, & will inform—

N. B.—Translation of this sent to the Govr. at Gal-kisse this Night—

Octr. 3d.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Has learnt from a Spy, that Ratwatte Disawe residing in the same Rest-house, as before, is making a Kraal on border of Kolamuna Oye at Aludeniya $\frac{1}{2}$ League from the Rest-house—3 Sides finished, they are

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working at the 4th.—They are seeking & taking Account of all the Lands, which People possess, more than belongs to their respective Weyda Wasam—That Pallegampaha is residing at Pedawa a Village, near Ranawana, where he was before, & is making a Kraal; & also causing Account to be written of Lands possessed, more than belongs to Weyda wasam—Also that the intermediate Road is cleared in some Places, because the Disawe is coming to Dambedeniya Wihara—That the Gala there is made with 4 Sides, the Gan Reyala driven in, & the good Eytas only bound with Cords (Madu), but not as in our Country—Also an Order has been published by the Disawes, that if any one says they are come to make War, they will be placed in the Maha Hira Ge—

3d.—Ola from S. Dias Modr.—Date Octr. 3d.—Sending Poruwalage Tikiryrle, who informs, that 2 Appuhs. from a Dutch Disawe bringing 4 Letters, are residing at Yatanwala near to Ruwanweylle—sends Tikiryrle to relate, what he saw—

Wednesday Evening Octr. 3d.—

The Messenger returns & informs to the following Effect:

He proceeded with the 2 Messengers of the 1st. Adhikar & reached Weywuda in 5 Days—in the Afternoon—At about 4 o'clock, 4 principal Malabars, wearing very large white Turbans & attended by about 20 Followers, some carrying Talapats, passed along the Road from Kandy—They did not stop at Weywuda, but proceeded towards a Rest-house prepared for them at $\frac{1}{2}$ League Distance—He afterwards heard, that these Malabars had arrived in Kandy about a Month before, & had brought a Letter—That they had recd. from the King each a Corny of Pagodas—& had rested 4 Days at Giriagam, 3 days at Galagedara & recd. Adukku & Peyhidun—The next Morning in his Way towards Kandy, in Dik Oye, along which the Road lies from Weywuda to Galegedera, he met the Younger Molligoda Disawe of Demala P. going to his District—He reached Yatiyawala Pansela near Katugastota at about Noon, when the Adikar's 2 Messengers left him, & proceeded to Kandy—About 10 at night they both returned, & called him to the 1st. Adikar's House—He was introduced, & presented his

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Offering of 4 Salt Tora Fish & *100 Kambelmas—The Adikar first asked, Whether these were from himself or the Disawe—He replied from the Disawe—& the Adikar observed they were very good—He then mentioned, that the Disawe had desired his best Compts. & the Ad'hikar enquired his Health & asked what Things he wanted—Replied, that he had said, he wanted Nothing—The Adikar said 'I know the Matter (Thing) which the Disawe desires, tell him, that it may be effected.' What do you want?—Replied, I want Nothing—The Adikar asked, Whether there were many English, many Caffres, & many Ships at Colombo, & whether the Govr. was at Colombo—& other indifferent Things about the Price of Cloths & Rice &c.—& then dismissed him, & told him to wait at Yatiyawala Pansala, till he recd. a Message—He learnt, that the 2d. Adikar set off from Kandy the same Day with the Disawe of Demala P.—He knows not on what Day the Disawe of 3 K. came down—4 Days after the Dis. of Tamankada came by Katugastota in a Palanquin attended by 6 Kodituwaku & 1 Musquet—2 Days after, the Dis. of Nuwara Kalawiya, Eyheylepola, with 6 Kodituwaku & 2 Musquets—3 Days after, his elder Brother Dis. of Matale, with 8 Kodituwaku & 2 Musquets & about 60 Men—3 Days after Rakwatte Nilame of †4 K., with an Eyta, an Aliya, a Horse, about 10 Kodituwaku, & 4 or 5 Musquets & about 100 Men—The rest were attended by 20 or 30 Men—The next Day passed the Wife of first Adikar (Walawuwe Unnanse) with about 50 Women & about 20 Slaves—& the Day before, the Widow of late Migasteynne, & the Wife of Dis. of 4 K. ‡Pil Tal. Bandara)(Sister of Molligoda)went to Kattota Walawuwe—The Day after the Walawuwe Unnanse passed, he recd. a Message by the Bulata to go to Weywuda & wait—He went there, & 3 Days after the 1st. Adikar arrived at the Rest-house—& the same Day his Son went by another Road to the 4 K.—In the Evening of the 1st. Adikar's Arrival, he was sent for by the old (Pusweylle) Korale to wait upon him, & was merely ordered to

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go to Mukalan Yaya which is adjoining to Neyligam kadulle near Kuruneygala—Early the next Day, the 1st. Adikar proceeded, attended with 12 Kodituwaku, 5 Musquets, and 1 Double barrell Gun—with Trumpets & Tomtoms & 4 Men cracking Whips—2 Eyta & 2 Horses—9 Match-Locks were fired on his Departure—about 150 Men—& amongst them 25 Chalia coolies—At about Noon he recd. a Message to attend the Wife of the 1st. Adikar, & went to Maralande Walawuwe, about a League from Weywuda—He was introduced, & was questioned about Colombo, whether it was a beautiful Place, whether there were high Houses there, & whether English Women, & how the Sea appeared—She said, she wanted some good Cloths, & desired him to bring some, which he promised to do—He went the next Day to Mukalan Yaya, 2 Leagues distant, & after remaining 6 Days was summoned at Night to attend the 1st. Adikar at the Rest-house— The Adikar asked, whether the Disawe had Horses—& whether the red Horse was at Colombo. He replied, 'Yes it is at Colombo, but not now with the Disawe'—The Adikar observed 'It was I, who caused that Horse to be brought, but as Andries Sinio was bringing it at Night, a Spy gave Information, & it was seized—I gave RD. 450 in Advance, the rest was to be given, as soon as he passed the Limits. Those RD. 450 I lost'—He asked also, whether there was not a White Horse with the Disawe, & whether it was as large as the red Horse?—Whether there were good Mirrors, & Chandeliers at Colombo?—He replied, there were, & asked, whether he wished a Horse or Mirrors or Chandeliers to be brought? The Adikar replied, No; if these Things are sent to me, whilst in the Country, People will tell Tales to Kandy—When I return to Kandy, I will send a Messenger the next Day—He said, it was uncertain, when he should return—I asked, All the Disawes are come down, is it likely, that there will be War?—The Adikar replied, No—I asked, for what cause *all* the Chiefs came down?—The Adikar answered, There is an Order from the King to catch Elephants—& to take Account of the Hilekam—For many Mohottales possess clandestinely much more Land, than they ought according to the Wattoors—People report, that there is Warfare in the Sea; but that I have

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not been able to know'—He enquired, whether it was true, that the Fort of Hangwelle was repairing, & that the Guns at Negombo were pointed towards Kandy?—He replied, he did not know, & had not heard it'—He dismissed him with desiring his best Compts. to the Disawe, & with saying, that whatever he desired, should be accomplished, when he returned to Kandy—He told to return immediately with a letter from the Disawe, with Pusweylle Korale, but without the knowledge of any other Kandyan Mohottale, or Hd. Men—& to bring with him for Money 5 fine Cloths Kawani Tupoties—He set off early the next Morning, & as he had been previously desired, waited on the Adikar's Wife at Maralande Walawuwe—& was requested to bring some good Cloths, Kuttisoru, Kawani Salu & Handkerchiefs for Money—in which case she would acquaint Maha Nilame & procure any thing he desired—He promised to bring them, & slept at Maralande that Night, & came in 5 Days to Colombo—He saw no Preparations whatever or Appearances of War—No Part of the Road from Maralande is cleared—but merely the Roads, by which the Disawes pass—The 1st. Adikar is doing nothing, but preparing to catch Elephants—A large Eytgala is erected, & the People are all in their Stations in the Reykma & driving the Elephants—A Lekam is there but has not begun to take Account of Men or of Guns or of Fields—He heard that Rakwatte Nilame also has made a Kraal, & is driving the Elephants—The Kandyans in general say, but in Secret, that the Malabars brought a Letter to the King from the French, & that this was the Occasion of the Disawes being ordered to come down—& that they are come down to make War—The last Night on which he was called to attend Maha Nilame, before he had appeared, just when he came out from his Room, 2 Persons went up & informed him of Intelligence, that Trincomale had been taken by the French, & also another Fort at Matura —The Adikar said, 'Beat them & drive these Men away for telling Lies'—He heard also from some one else, that there was War at Trincomale, but it was not much credited—

Octr. 10th—W. Appu attends & states—On the night, when he took leave of the Adikar at Neyligam

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Kadulle—he informed him, That a Priest of Colombo had had Conversation with him in Kandy, & carried a Message to the Disawe; That the Answer to this was not very good—On enquiring, Whether on that Account from the King* *සෙසල රජු*, He replied 'No'—The Adikar further desired him to request from the Disawe a Phial of good Medicinal Oil to anoint the Body—For he was troubled with frequent Pains in his Body & Limbs, & could not find an effectual Remedy for it—

Octr. 3d.—Ahamadu lebbe Bawa lebbe, of Attanagalla sent by S. Dias Modr.—informs—He wrote Intelligence to the Modr. from Handugala—after which he went to Nettapolagedara which is $\frac{1}{2}$ League distance from Itanawatte Mirihanpitiya, where the Disawe resides—He returned to his Village last Thursday, & was 4 Days on his Journey from Nettipolagedara—He resided at a Moorman's House there 10 Days—& learnt for certain, that the inferior Hd. Men in secret write Account of the Guns of all those Persons, who have Lands, including Moormen, but not of those, who have no Lands—They also order all Owners of Lands to prepare Rice, at the rate of 3 Cornies, for each 2 Peyla Extent, & that they must bring the Rice & Guns to the Rest-house, when ordered—The 1st. Adikar is at Magurugam werelle, about $2\frac{1}{2}$ Leagues distant from Mirihanpitiya—& is said to be doing the same—It is given out, that the Disawes are come to catch Elephants, & it is said, that a Kraal is building—It was reported, that a Malabar, naked below, with an Iron Diya Katchi, came to Kandy, but of this he knows nothing—

3d.—Poruwalage Tikiryale—sent by S. Dias Modr. informs—He went to Ruwanwelle 16 Days ago, & has been residing at the House of his Kudamma's Husband Mudelyhamy—a Gal adda—He went there on a Tuesday—14 days ago—The same Evening, the Gal adda was sent for to the Rest-house, & dispatched with a Hakurubadde Vidane—with Chouls to Sitawaka—to bring back 2 Mudelywaru—They arrived a little before Daylight next Morning, & were desired to reside in the Galadda's House, where Wiyan was hung, & Couches brought & spread, & a Messa over the

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Couches, on which the Letters they brought were laid—The Father of Mudalihamy asked, whence they brought the Letters? They said From a Dutch Disawe, who was at Colombo since the Portuguese time—& that they brought 4 Letters, 1 for the King, 2 for the 2 Adikars, & 1 for Disawe of 3 K.—The latter has not yet been delivered, nor have they yet been suffered to go to the Rest-house—At the House, where they reside, are 4 Galatures as Guards—The Day after their Arrival, Messengers were sent to Iddamalpana with a Letter to be forwarded to Kandy—and are not yet returned—The 2 Messengers are still detained there—His Atta opened the 4 Cloths, in which the 4 Letters were folded, & saw 4 Letters Sealed, 1 with 3 Seals, the rest with 2 each—The People of 3 Korles were all ordered to attend at Palangomuwa W., & there in about 8 Days their Names were all written—Next the Maha Lekam, Mohottales & Korales, went all over the Country, & wrote account of all the Fields—This being finished, they are now writing Account of Rice to be contributed, & have fixed 10 Measures of Rice for each Extent of 1 Peyla, to be brought to the Atuwa when directed—They also write Account of Guns—The Maha Lekam has an Account of the Families, to whom Guns were formerly given, in the Dutch time by the King—which Persons are sent for, to the Rest-house, & Account written—Those who say, they have lost their Guns, are laid on the Ground, & beaten—They are all directed to have them in readiness, & bring them, when ordered—Each Person does not bring his Gun to the Rest-house to produce it, but appears, & is asked, whether he has it, & then it is written—Himself was 2 Days at the Rest-house & heard the People called, & asked for their Guns—The Maha Lekam writes Account, to give to the King—the Rate Mohottale & Walawuwe Mohottale for the Disawe—The Disawe is residing at Hatagoda near Pannala—Himself left Ruwanweylle the Day before yesterday—

3d.—Nilhamy of Mitirigala, informs—He went to Dambadeniya 15 days ago, stayed 2 Days: & found the 1st. Adikar there, residing at the *Pansela—He was causing Account to be written of Rice, &

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fixed for each Person half the usual Contribution—He takes Accts. also of Cattle, & levies $\frac{1}{2}$ the usual Fines—No Account is taken of Guns —He proceeded from thence to Galabodagama, where Rakwatte Disawe resides—& stayed 2 Days. This Disawe also is doing the same—& collects to the Rest-house Contributions of Rice—but half the usual Quantity by order of the King, & writes Account of Cattle, i.e. fixes 1 or 2 to each Person, according to his Ability, to be kept ready, when called for—He also causes the Roads to be cleared everywhere, but not as yet, close to our Limits—On his return he stayed 1 Day at Dambadeniya, & found the Adikar still there—He returned to Malwana the Day before yesterday, & was sent by the Modr. to look at the Bana Maduwa at Galapata—He set off & yesterday, at Henegama, just at Hitipiyawara, he heard 3 Guns fired, as if, from Ruwanwelle—He passed through Ruwanweylle to Pol Owity, & saw a Bana Maduwa erected, of 5 Stories, with 8 fluted Pillars—The Work is finished—The Disawe & Maha Lekam are both at Hatagoda, a Korle Village—Galapata belongs to the Dewale—He enquired after the 3 Shots, which he had heard, but could learn nothing The Kandyans when asked, covered their Mouths—Some said, It was towards Attapitiya—& surmised, that the King was gone to Kataragam & returned—But they were afraid to speak out—He returned without stopping, & reached Malwana to-day at 4 Steps before Noon—

Octr. 5th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Date Oct. 3d.—Pilima Talawuwe of Ihala Dolos P.—Rakwatte Nilame, of Pahala Dolos P., & Pilima Talawuwe, of 4 K., are residing at the same Places, as before—& no other Order, or new Manner from that before written has taken place—he has learnt from Spies—But on the 2d. at about 12 o'clock, having heard towards the 4 K. the Sound of Firing 3 Cannon, he immediately sent a Man to Enquiry, he informed for Truth, that he learnt from Kandyans, that it was no where, except that they fired & tried the Guns at Gurubeywila Fort—

„ 5th.—Simitchy Appu, Brother of Pol. Vid. of Orta Seda, informs—He went to Saffragam by Ruwanweylle 17 Days ago, & left it by Kalu Ganga 5 Days ago in a Pade with Areka—He has this year

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1/3 Share of the Areka Rent of Saffragam with Nando Vidan—Nando Vidan appeared before the 2d. Adikar at Ruwanweylle with a Cloth worth RD. 100, & asked for the Rent—He was sent for to Saffragam, & on receiving the Sannas, paid 7 Gold Rupees, & 25 Pagodas—He has stipulated to pay for 800 Amms. at the Colombo Price, himself paying Expences of Carriage to Colombo, Kaltura &c. which costs 10 Sattalies pr. Ammm.—He pays the People, who deliver the Areka at $3\frac{1}{2}$ RD. pr. Ammm for Kotika & 4 RDs. for cut Areka (Kuru Puwak)—but receives this Sum in Advance from the King. Besides these 800, the People will furnish about 700 Amms. more, which is all Clear Profit—He has obtained from Nando Vidan 2 Tavellans—1 at Mud-duwa, where Nando Vidan resides, & where himself lodged, within a Call of the Rest-house—(Mudduwa is near the Meynik Wala, which is searched once a Year, after invoking Saman, & has been searched 1 Day, since the Adikar's Arrival.) He did not go to the Rest-house but heard, what is passing—The Adikar is doing nothing, but hearing Complaints, & receiving the People—The Wattoors of all the Families in the Korle, are brought down from Kandy, & one of each Family ordered to appear—He appears with a Bulat is asked, Whether he has got his Arms (Sword, Lance or Gun, according to his Family) & is told, that if he has them not in readiness, when demanded, he will be punished, & lose his Lands—No order has been given for collecting Arms or Rice—The Adikar has with him about 50 Men from Kandy. The Rest-house is much too large for the People now there, but is always constructed so—The Kandyans all make Enquiry, 'Is there not Warfare in the Sea?' & it is certain, the Disawes came for that. But there is no Shew of War—He was present, when Nando Vid. wrote the Ola to Tamby Modr.—It was written by his Brother-in-law—Nando Vidan appears to be in great Favour. 9 Kodituwaku are at the Rest-house—No Guns are fired, when he moves out; but 12 on his first Arrival—

Octr. 6th.—Morning—Induruwege Paolo Appu, of Orta Seda, informs—He left Ruwanweylle 3 Days ago—The Maha Lekam is at the Rest-house, & sends his People to write the Lands, & takes the Oaths of Aged Men, that they possess no more, than they

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state—On the Disawe's first Arrival, all the People appeared with 1 Rupee, according to Custom—No Account has been taken of Guns—The Disawe hears Complaints—He came one Day to the River, sent Philippu Pulle Chitty, called & conversed, enquired about the Float, & abolished the Toll of 2 Sattalies—& he has reduced $\frac{1}{2}$ the Fine taken from Prisoners at Palangomuwa W.—Disawe came once to Palangomuwa W.—He has fined People, who cleared the Road on this side of Ruwanweylle without Orders—

The Areka Rent is sold this Year to the Renters of last, for 300 Amms. at Colombo Price—for which the King pays them 3 RDs. pr. Ammm. in advance—The Renter afterwards agrees with the People at what Price he can, usually at first 10 Pice pr. 1000 (5 RDs. pr. Ammm.) afterwards at 6, 7 & 8 Pice—But the People have liberty of selling to no one else—The Price is now about 8 RDs. per Amm.—Salt exchanges for $1\frac{1}{2}$ & 2 of Rice—for 1 of Coffee & Pepper—

6th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Date Octr. 5th.—On Tuesday the 2d. 3 Mohandirams, & 2 Brahmanies from Kandy came & conversed with the Disawe of 3 Korles, & went back again to Kandy—There is vague Report, that the 2 Shots heard on the 3d. were fired at Balane Kadawata—There is News, that the Foreigners, who came to Kandy, are gone away—& that the King is still in Kandy—Moreover, the 2 Appuhs, who came from Colombo, left Ruwanweylle on Wednesday the 3d. to proceed to Kandy—

Octr. 7th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Octr. 4th.—Rakwatte Disawe caused the Elephants to be driven to the Kraal on 30th.—A great Number escaped from the Guard—5 only were put into the Kraal—Of these, 1 was an Eyta, & was taken, the other 4 were let loose—& the People are now surrounding the Eytas again—He has learnt from Spies, that the 2 Adikars, & all the Disawes being gone, there remains no Chief at Court, except Pusweylle Gabada Nilame & Siyambalapitiye Gabada Nilame—but no Preparations with Arms for War—

Octr. 10th.—Nilhamy, of Mitirigala—informs—He went on Thursday last to the House of his Sister's Husband at Hatagoda, & left it on Monday—He

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reached Malwana early this Morning—The Bana Maduwa at Galapata is most richly adorned—The Pinkam began on Friday the Atawaka Poye, & is to last for 8 Days—He went twice to hear Bana—Peyleyllagama & Pannala Unnanse preached—The Disawe was there at night, seated on a Mat on the Ground but occasionally withdrew & returned—In the Day-time he is hearing Complaints at the Rest-house—The Mohottales & others are going about & writing Account of the Fields, & it is said, that for each Ammm. Extent, the Owner is to furnish 1 Ammm. of Rice. But no Rice has yet been collected from the People, nor have any Arms been collected—But the Bandara Nely, which was stored in Atu, has been distributed to the Hd. Men, for the purpose of beating into Rice—3 more Kōdi-tuwaku have been brought from

Kadawata to the Rest-house, to fire at the Pinkam—With respect to the 3 Shots which were fired about Noon on the 2d. he has learnt, That Eyheylepola wrote to Disawe of 3 K. to enquire what it was? & recd. for answer, that it had happened no where in the 3 K.—The Dis. of 3 K. wrote to the Dis. of 4 K., & recd. for Answer, that the Cannon had not been fired there—The Dis. of 4 K. wrote to Maha Gabada Nilame, & recd. for Answer, 'Our King is gone to worship at Kataragam Pura. Having dreamt in a Dream, the Explosion took place at Kataragam as a Signal* සුඛ ප්‍රකාශ'. All the Kandyans now say in this manner for a Truth—& that one Explosion only took Place, but by re-echoing it sounded like 3—

Octr. 11th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Octr. 9th.—The Disawe of 4 K. is residing at a New-built Walawuwe at Beyminiwatte near the Rest-house at Attapitiya, making an Eytgala—2 Kandyan Korales came on the 7th. & wrote the Villages which are along the Limits of the 4 K.—Towards the 7 K. he has learnt no New Doing nor Order except as he wrote before—These Things he has learnt from Spies—A Man, whom he sent to Kandy, has not yet returned—

Octr. 12th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Octr. 10th.—Rakwatte Disawe is residing at the same Rest-house, as before—On Thursday the 4th. he

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caused to be caught a Female Elephant & Young one—Order has been given to the People of Uda-pola Korle to write Men & Guns, saying for 'Alutpanne' a new Troop, from amongst the Young Men, to remain near the Disawe—Began to write on Sunday the 7th. & the same Day, were written 4 Men & their 4 Guns—Asmandale Lekam, having obtained an Office of Lekam of the Gabadawa, came with 20 Guns & 2 Kodituwaku from Kandy on the 3d.—& residing at the Village Dewameydda, & causes to be written the Weydawasam Lands of the People, & the Lands, which they possess more—No such Order to write Men & Guns for Alutpanne has yet been given to the Meyda P. & Otara Palata of 7 K.—These Things he has learnt from a Spy sent to the Place of Residence of the Disawe—

Octr. 13th.—Ola from S. Dias Modr. Date Octr. 12th—Informing Things learnt from Karannagala Haku-ruge Tikira—A Lekam come from Kandy enquires & writes the Limits along the Frontiers—& writes secretly the Names of the Singhaleze Chiefs, who are residing, (gone) from our Territory—Now that Lekam, & the 2 Vidans of Miwiti Debaheyra fugitives in Kandy, Kinigama Appuhy. of Meyda P., Puwakpitiya Baba Appu, of Hewagam K. are now residing at Algam—Pabuluwege Sanchy Aratchy having come to Induran Waharaka, upon a Message from the Disawe of 4 K. went to Attapitiya—Sends Tikira—

Octr. 14th.—Tikira informs—He went to Alupota in 4 K. Within 1½ Heytakma of Attapitiya—The People are cutting Timber to make a Kraal—He then went to 7 K., where the Disawe is doing the same—On his Return at Bopitiya, he saw the Fugitives from our Territory—& a Lekam—He learnt from the Chalia Maha Duraya of Eytnawala, that the Lekam is secretly writing the Frontier Villages, & the Names of our Head Men who live in them—He made Enquiry about the Firing of 3 Guns heard at Noon 8 or 10 Days ago—Some People say, it was a Samaseyra, others, that they were fired by Order of the King at the top of Bulatgama Kanda for the Neykat—

„ 14th.—Hakuruge of Mahara attends—He went to Kuruneygala in 7 K.—The 1st Adikar is residing at Mukalan Yaya on the other Side of Deyduru Oye—An Eytgala is built on this

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Side—He is doing nothing but catching Elephants—Many People are assembled with Lances to drive the Elephants, but no other Arms—They drive Herds successively into the Kraal, pick out the good ones, & release the Rest—About 11 are now caught, of which 3 are Eytas, 3 Ali, & the Rest Females—Lekam & Commissioners are going through all the Villages, & writing Account of Lands—No other News—He carried Sugar, & sold it for Medicine—& came back in 6 Days—No Roads are cleared, except for the Disawes to pass—Sent him to Saffragam—

18th.—Kirihamy, of Atupatdeniya informs—He has lately been to a Village within a League's Distance from Itanawatte, where Rakwatte Nilame resides—The People are every where employed in making Kraals & taking Elephants—2 Elephants broke the Kraal, & some Head Men were fined for it—There is no Appearance whatsoever of War—The 3 Reports of Cannon, which were heard 12 or 15 Days ago, are said to have proceeded from above Attapitiya, where the Cannon were fired by Order of the King just at Hiti Piyawara, for the Neykata—

Octr. 20th.—The 2 Appuhamies dispatched, with Letters on the 25th. of Septr. returned—& with 3 Ols delivered to them at Ganoruwa by 2 Messengers who said, they had recd. them from the High Steward—& instructed them to give them to the Disawe of Colombo—(No. 59 & 60—& Lr. CCC— They deliver also an Ola, in which they have written the Particulars of what occurred on the Road—They further relate, that they could not learn that the Disawe of the 3 Korles, was doing any thing except writing Account of the Lands—It was night, near Midnight, when they attended him. A Number of People were present—There were 10 or 12 Matchlock Guns—& 4 Lascorins with Guns on their Shoulders, walking backwards & forwards, on Duty before the Rest-house—The Residence of the Disawe of 4 K. being at a little Distance from the Road, they did not pass near it. The People at Attapitiya were employed in catching Elephants. The Day after their Arrival there, the Elephants were driven into the Kraal—They saw 7 or 8 pass by, through the Jungle, as they were driven. They heard that the Day following the Elephants all

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broke the Kraal & escaped—A Vidan through whose Negligence they were detained 2 Nights & a whole Day at Attapitiya was punished—The Kandyans, who accompanied them from 3 Korles, remained with them all the time, & returned with them—These Persons went to Kandy in the Day-time, & returned to Ganoruwe at Night. They stated as the Cause of the Delay, that Messengers had been sent to the 1st. Adikar, who was not in Kandy—They understood that the 1st. Adikar did not come to Kandy in consequence of those Letters, & that none of the Chiefs were there except Maha Gabada Nilame—In the Country through which they passed, they neither saw nor heard of any Preparations for War—At Balane Kadawata is a Stone Wall about 12 Feet high, across the Road, with a Gateway. There were 4 Lascorins on Guard—They saw 5 or 6 Lances—& 3 Cannon these not mounted—They were supplied with Provisions, wheresoever they went—Cloths were spread for them on Couches, & at every Place, was an elevated Platform to lay the Letters—

Set off on the 25th. & remained at Henagam that night—set off the next Morning, rested that night at Hitawaka on this side the River. The next Day crossing the River, on going to the Kadawata, being asked 'Where they were going', said, that we were going on a Message to the Disawe of Korletune, they made us stop in a Place, saying that we could not go without informing him—& a Messenger was sent from the Kadawata to the Disawe of Korletune—The next Morning Yatanwala Vidane & a Person from Galpata Aratchy coming to the Place where we resided, & making Enquiry, when we said, that we were going on a Message to the Disawe of Korletune. Having told us to stay, they sent a Messenger from the Kadawata & at about 7 at Night, 2 Persons from the Atapattu came; & conducting us with Lights on both sides of the Way, crossing the River at Ruwanweylle, we went to Yatanwala at about Midnight—Having placed us in a House, Yatanwala Vidane & a Lascorin went to the Disawe of Korletune—The next Morning, Eyheyllyagoda Mohotti Nilame came & enquiring Matters from us, when we said, that we brought some Letters to the Disawe of Korletune, he went away—3 Days after, a Korale

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& a Gaulatta coming to our Residence, conducted us away at about 7 at Night, with Lights on both sides of the Way, called us to the Place, where the Disawe resides, at the Village Pannelapitiya—On (his) enquiring Matters from us we said, 'that the great Disawe of Colombo having delivered to us 3 Letters, directed us to say, that one was to be delivered to the Disawe of Korletune, & 1 to Pallegampahe, the other to Gabada Nilame'—Having recd. Orders, that the Mudiyanse themselves must deliver them, being placed in a House that Night, were sent off the next Morning to go to Kandy with a Mudiyanse, a Gaulatta & a Korle Appu—That Night we rested at Iddamalpana; Departing the next Day to Attapitiya, remained there 2 Nights; Set off the next Day, arrived at Walgowagoda, stayed there that Night. The next Day arrived at Ganoruwa; & having made us wait there; the next Day a Korale & Katupulle Mudiyanse & enquiring Matters from us we said, That we had been sent with a Letter to Pallegampahe & a Letter to Gabada Nilame. They took & looked at these Letters, & delivered them to us, & telling us to wait, went away—The same Day in the Evening, Yatinuwara Korale & Udunuwara Korale took the 2 Letters & telling us to stay, went away to Kandy. 8 Days after, a Korale & Mudiyanse bringing Olas from Kandy, delivered them to us, & dismissed us to deliver them to the Disawe of Colombo—That Night we stopped at Walgowagoda—departing the next Day we stopped at Attapitiya—The next Night stopped at Iddamalpana—the next Night at Ruwanweylle—the next Night at Hitawaka, the next Night at Dalugam—the next Day (to-day) came to Colombo—

Octr. 20th.—Godamunne Unnanse arrives with the 2 Men dispatched with him & informs—He proceeded to Eymbaraluwa Pansala, where the 2 others joined him—They reached Kandy in 6 Days by the Road of 7 Korles—He did not go to Malwatte Wiharaya, but resided with the other 2 at the House of his relation Bottata Mohini, who is Seytopenage Kankan—He went only once to the Temple—He shewed his 2 Companions every thing in Kandy. They saw 20 Tada of Gunpowder & 10

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Tada of Leaden Balls, each Tada 1 Parrah dispatch-
ed to the 7 K.; half to the Ihaladolos P. & half to
Pahaladolos P.—The Bottata Mohm. who inform-
ed, that the English Gentleman had fallen into
Disgrace on account of some Letters, & had been
sent away to Dumbara, about 3 or 4 Days before
their Arrival & that the *12 White Men, who lived
in the Gabadawa had been sent to Gangarama the
Day before they arrived—They saw also a Number
of People, Moormen, Vellales, Paduwas & Pannayas
drilling in the Maluwa, by the Dutchman, who was
taken Prisoner in the War—There were altogether
about 400 or 500—Of whom 150 were Moors—He
heard that the Appuhs. were still detained at
Ganoruwe—& that an Order had been given for all
the Disawes to go & reside within a League of the
Limits—On their Return between Katugastota &
Giriyagam, they met a Man carrying a White
Letter in a Leaf, running towards Kandy at about
1 o'clock—& in the Evening—they heard Guns
fired in Kandy—They stopped in their Way at the
following Places: From the Pansala 1st. Night
Weyangoda—2d. †Wadurawe—3d. Kaduruweylle
—4th. Weywuda—5th. Uduwawala—6th. Kandy;
stayed 3 Nights at House of Bottata Mohm.—
Return. 1st. Night Meyndawala—2d. Ahugoda—
3d. Kaduruwalle—4th.—A Vill. in Hapit. K.—5th
Pansala on Wednesday Night—There is a Trench
dug before the Maluwa, & he counted 25 Cannon
mounted on it—

Kirihamy, one of those who accompanied him,
informs—They went to Kandy & resided all
the time with the Priest at Malwatte Wihara. He
was informed by an Aratchy, that the Appuhs.
were detained at Ganoruwe. He saw People drill-
ing by the Dutchman—about 200 Men, all Singha-
leze—no Moormen—On their Way to Kandy,
between Giriyagam & the River, they met 20 Tada
of Gunpowder, & 10 of Balls—The Tada were long
Bera—They heard from other People, that they
were Gunpowder & Balls—On their Return—also
they met a Man running with a Letter in his Hand
towards Kandy—

There is a Trench newly dug round the
Maluwa with a Stone Rampart, & Cannon mounted
on it—

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Octr 21st.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Octr.
 18th.—He has learnt from a Spy, that the Disawe
 of 4 Korles residing at Attapitiya has besides the
 2 Eytas caught there, has taken an Eyta at
 Kenpitiya—That the Dis. is now residing at Bey-
 miniwatte Walawuwe, & preparing to make a
 Dam in the Kuda Oye, to cultivate Lands—Also
 that Sanchy Aratchy, the Son of Pabuluwege
 Aratchy, who fled from Udukaha P. Sinna K. &
 obtained a Village in 4 K. is residing at the House
 of Gallatda at Batuwita & writing Account of the
 Names of the Modrs. & all other Head Men of the
 Sinna, Hapitigam & Alutkur K. in order to give to
 the said Disawe, Madurugomuge Wel Vidan of
 Talagama informed him, that he learnt in his
 (Wel Vid's) House from the said Galladda who is
 his Relation—But with what Design, he does not
 know—

“ Ola from Do—Sending Radage Alenzuwa
 of Walbottale, whom he had dispatched to learn
 Intelligence, as to what Orders had been given in
 Kandy—

Radage Alenzuwa, of Walbottele informs—
 He proceeded to Kempitikadigomuwa, where his
 Step Brother resides—a Vidane Henaya—He re-
 mained there 2 Days & then accompanied him to
 Kandy, to bring away Cloths, which he had fur-
 nished for the Palace, whilst on Duty with his
 People, Maha mure—

He resided at the House of the Halu appullana
 Henaya 4 Days—The King has been & is still
 residing in Kandy, & causes Elephants to be taken.
 The tame Female Elephants are taken across the
 River, & by their Means a Herd ascites with them,
 & they are brought up to Kandy—& taken—There
 are now 44 Elephants already taken, of which 24
 are Eytun—The Malu & Palace & Pattrippuwa are
 now surrounded by a Stone Wall a little higher
 than a Man; & a Ditch 3 or 4 Yards wide—& at the
 Kadawata, there is a Stone Gateway (Bimge) as
 at Colombo Fort—The Washermen of Kandy told
 him in Conversation, that a Malabar, clothed in
 Iron came with a Letter, & remained about a
 Month—That 2 Uncles of the King have been to
 the Coast, & spoken with Aspanti Nilame, &
 promised to make him Disawe of the 9 Korles, &

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King of Colombo, if he would be faithful to Kandy, & join the French & assist in taking the *18 Forts—And that Aspanti Nilame sent a Letter, engaging to come with the French & Dutch, & take the Territories from the English, & that he did not wish to come to Kandy, he would be content with obtaining Colombo, & the 9 K.—& that on receiving that Letter, the Disawes came down—That Foreigners are speedily expected—He saw 2 or 3 Parties of about 24 Men each drilling, in the Maluwa—but understood, these were not New People, but Maduwe Eytto, & the Sepoys, who were there before—In the 4 K. two Kraals are constructed at Attapitiya & the People are catching Elephants—He heard there, that Commissioners are writing Account of Lands—& it was said, that both in the 4 & 7 K. People were enrolling for Alutpanne—not many, but a few People—for the purpose of sending to Kandy—They write none, except Goyigama People—He saw at Balana Kadawata 6 Cannon & about 8 Kodituwaku—At the Bimge Kadawata in Kandy, were 2 Maduwe Eytto, & 2 Sepoys on Guard—& Cannon planted round the Rampart—

Octr. 22d.—Godamunne Unnanse attends again & informs—That he saw the 20 Tada of Gunpowder & 10 of Balls carried by People from Kandy in Borawey Widiya, very early in the Morning, before it was thoroughly Light, as they set off on their Return—As they came along, these Coolies were behind them, & seeing them following, he stopped at the Kosgaha, which is in the middle of the Road, & they passed on—He knew a Lekam, who was following at a little Distance behind, & asked, Whither they were carrying them—He replied, 'To 7 K. the Ihala dolos P. & Pahala dolos P'—He has called with him a Messenger, sent down by Dulleýwa Lekam, to his Elder Brother (his Gurunnanse) at Eymbaraluwa—with a Message inviting him to Kandy speedily on Acct. of the existing Commotions—

Punchy Nayda—An Achari—attends & informs—He left Kandy 6 Days ago—He lives in the Family of Dulleýwa Lekam—& was ordered to go to Colombo & buy a Cloth for him, & look after

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his Brother & call him back to Kandy—It is said that the Disawes all came down, about a Month after the Arrival of the King's Relation in Kandy—Some Gunpowder & Ball was carried down into the Korles with each of the Disawes but none since—No White Men have lately arrived in Kandy—The English Gentleman was lately sent for to Kandy—He was found culpable on acct. of some Writings detected, & was ordered by the King to be beheaded—but Gabada Nilame & Kobeykaduwa Nayaka Unnanse interceded, & he was sent to Dumbara—

The King has not left Kandy lately—but he has sent Panduru to Kataragam about 30 Days ago—

Octr. 23d.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Dated Octr. 21st—That Wild Elephants are driven to Kandy in the midst of tame ones to the Neighbourhood of the Maluwa, & whilst the King sat looking in the Pattrippuwa, 4 Ali were taken on the 16th.—That these 4 together with 4 Eytas & 34 Ali, altogether 44, are tied in Panti built at the border of the Weywa lately made—

That to put Cords (Madu) on the Elephants 2 large high Kanu are planted, on the top of which, Men sit, & put Madu on the Wild Elephants—That now are residing at the Maha Wasala only Pusweylle Gabada Nilame, Mattamagoda Gabada Nilame, & Eylllepola Gabada Nilame. That as yet in Kandy there is no Preparation for War—The English Gentleman who resided in Kandy, living in Dumbara 2 Leagues distant from Kandy, is causing Gunpowder to be made, & various other Carpenter's Work—These Things, Punchappu who went from Hakurukumbure Batuwana, & resides Binna beyhila in the House of Lekamalage at the Village Kanamewala, & who is returned after performing 10 Days Rajakaraya at Palle Wahala, has related to him & that it is forbidden to any Person to go to Dumbara—

Octr. 26th.—A Moorman informs—
He has been resident in Kandy, trading for about a Year—For the First 4 Months, he was permitted to reside constantly in the City itself, but afterwards 4 Constables called Widi Aratchies were appointed, & all Inhabts. of the 7 K., 3 K., 4 K. & Saffragam & himself also were compelled to leave Kandy.

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at about 5 P.M. every Day, to depart without the Gravel of Katukeyle, & were permitted to go to Kandy every morning at 6 or 7—

He left Kandy about a Month ago, shortly after the Disawes were sent down—He heard, that some Malabars had arrived in Kandy with a Letter, but knows nothing certain—Within the last 3 Months, new People have been drilling every Day in Kandy—about 300 Men—They carry Guns, & Wear a White Jacket—The English Gentleman is in Dumbara, & no one is permitted to go there—

He is intimate with a Singhaleze, an Inht. of Dumbara, who says he is able to convey a Letter to him—

Octr. 28th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Octr. 25th.—Ratwatte Nilame is still residing in the same Place. He has given Orders for Maha Peyhidun, & from the 17th. 10 Medides Maha Peyhidun is measuring in the Rest-house—On Sunday the 20th. an Eyta was caught—The whole Number, which he has caught, is 7—No Novel Proceeding or Order—The Dis. of 4 K. is residing in the same Place, & causing Timber to be cut & dragged to make a Dam in Kuda Oye, to cultivate Fields—Order is still given to catch more Elephants, & to the galattas to seek where they are—but he has learnt no New Order of any kind—These Things he has learnt from Spies sent—

Octr. 30th.—An Aratchy of Kollura Pahaladolos P. 7 K. attends & states, that he was ordered by the 1st. Adikar to come to Colombo, & call Wattele Appu with the Cloths which he before told him to bring. He has brought a List of them—The Adikar is doing nothing, but taking Elephants. At their Arrival of the Disawes, one Person of each Family made his Appearance—The Lekams are now employed in writing Account of Lands in the Wannu, & have not yet begun towards this Way—

Novr. 2d.—Induruwege Paolo Appu, of Orta Seda attends & informs—That he went to Attapitiya about 10 Days ago, carrying Cloths to the Tavellam of Sinne Tamby at Moragammanna, which is about $\frac{1}{2}$ League On this Side of Attapitiya—He reached it on the 22d. & the next Day went to Attapitiya, to sell the Cloths—A Kraal is built in an Open Spot not far from the Rest-house—It is a Square of about

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Yards each Side & 2 Doors—The Paling is built with Posts about Ft. high, or Inches Diamr., & planted at Intervals of about Ft. from each other, & strengthened by 3 Rows of Cross Bars of equal Thickness—24 Elephants had been driven into the Kraal, A few Days before he arrived: 4 had been taken out before, & 2 were taken out that Day—To take them out, 2 tame Elephants are sent in with 2 Men upon each, & about 20 other Men on Foot, with pointed Sticks about 6 or 7 Ft. long & some with Cords—& having fixed on a good Elephant, they pursue him, till they find Opportunity of putting a Noose on his Leg—& then fasten it to the tame Elephants—If the Elephants pursue, the Men defend themselves with the pointed Stakes & take Refuge behind the tame Elephants—An Old Man that Day, who could not run away from a Wild Elephant, who turned, stood, & put forward his Pole, which the Elephant broke in half, & pursued—The Old Man fell down, but other People came up & rescued him—One Wild Elephant turned & butted with a tame Elephant—One of the Riders fell down, but escaped under the Elephants Legs—After taking out 6 Elephants, the rest were turned loose, & the Day he was there, a Herd of 7 or 8, who stood surrounded in a Field, were driven in—A tame Female Elephant, with one Rider, & 1 Man beside it, led the Way. A tame Elephant without a Rider was placed behind the Herd, & thus they were led & driven into the Kraal with great Facility—The Disawe of 4 K. was seated near the Kraal—no other Business seems to be in Agitation, but Catching Elephants—The Lekams have been occupied in writing Account of the Lands, & have almost finished—The Evening he was there, Olas were written by the Disawe to the 4 Korales, directing to write Account of all the Temples, of the Priests who reside there, & the Lands attached to them—The same Order also has been given in the 3 K., where they have also been employed in writing Lands—but have not yet finished—As he went, he saw the Mohottale & Korale in Palangomuwa W. near the Ferry, who were talking of coming this Way to write the Lands, & doubting about clearing the Roads, when an Order has been given not to clear them on this Side of

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Ruwanveyille—& they agreed, that the Roads should be cleared a little, by lopping a few Boughs which might obstruct it, but not in the same manner, as when a Disawe comes—The Disawes of 4 K. & 3 K. seem to be about the same Age, 23 or 25—On his Return he met the latter coming from Palangomuwa W., where he had been giving Directions about planting it.—Directions have also been given for planting the other Royal Garden He heard nothing of any New Men being enrolled in either of these Disawanies—

Nov. 3d.—Dispatched W. Appu to the 1st. Adikar with a Phial of Opodeldoc

Novr. 5th.—Kirihamy, of Atupatdeniya arrives & informs, That his Brother returned 4 Days ago from the 7 Korles—Where he went to exchange Salt for Rice—He related, that at a League distant from Kuruneygala the 1st. Adikar was passing on his Return to Kandy—Himself also *Palamuda went to his Relation's House at Kehelgoda in K.—& was informed by his Relation, that on Tuesday last he had met Eyheylepola 2d. Adikar on his Way to Kandy. It was said, that at Saffragam he has caused 2 Korales to be stabbed, & that they had died that their Relations went & complained to the King, who directed him to come to Kandy on Foot, without Palanquin or Tomtoms—And the 1st. Adikar had proceeded to Kandy before him, in the hopes of being able to save him—A Report was current, that in the 7 K. Yamuno were beating out Iron & making Iron Balls—Some People of his Village went to enquire & found it to be false—In the Upper Part of 7 K. one Medide of Salt exchanges for 4 of Rice—In the Nearer Parts for 2—

Novr. 6th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Novr. 5th—In answer to my Ola of 25th—On making Enquiry, The People written for Alutpanne were written, to attend upon Ratwatte Disawe, Maha Nilame of Ihala dolos P., & the Disawe of 4 K., 50 for each, but no greater Number, & as yet there is no Order to send Men of that Kind to Kandy—That it is true Sanchy Aratchy at Batuwita wrote the Names of the Head Men; & That there is true

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Intelligence that an Order being given by the King to the Disawes of the several Korles, to write an Account of the Head Men of all the other Korle & Totamunes. Accounts have been written in that manner—

That there is vague News, that because the King knows, some Foreigner will come to take Possession of these Korles & Totamunes, it is the Intention to send Presents to captivate the Minds of the Superior Singhaleze Chiefs—That it is true about 2 Weeks ago, a Letter from Kandy & a Letter from the Disawe of Sabaragomuwa were brought to Pilima Talawuwe—That Pilima Talawuwe set out from Pedduwa on Thursday the 2d., & came to reside at the House of Mawatagama Mohottale 2 Leagues on this Side of it—That he caused to be caught altogether 8 Eytas, & 12 Ali.

He has learnt all these Things from Spies—Ola from Do—Dated Novr. 5th.—In answer to my Ola of 30th—He has made Enquiry & learnt, That is before customary to give Maha Peyhidun at the rate of 10 & 7 Neyli from the Mulukariya Wasam or Hewa Wasam, but no other—That it is now reed. at the rate of 7 Neyli of Rice not 10—That other Rice is given for the daily Expençe of the Disawe's Attendants & that the rest of the Cocoanuts, Oil, Tala & Mun Seeds, & Rice also is from time to time sent to his Walawuwe in Kandy, but it is not collected & laid by there—That there is no Carrying of Iron Stones, nor making of Iron Balls at a Place near Mirihanpitiya he has learnt from Spies sent—Besides that at half a Heytakma distance from the Tanayama at the Village Wedan & at Itanawatta, 2 Nawandannas Inhts. of the Place, have from time past worked in 2 Kammal—That on account of the Death of 1 out of the 4 Eytas he caught, the Kuruneyka was laid on his Face & **අපි අපහිමි*—Moreover there is Report, that before in times of War, when a Disawe comes to the 7 K., 24 Neyli of Rice from the Mulukariya & Hewa Wasam has been measured for 1 Peyhidun—

Novr. 9th.—Hakuruge Abanchiya, of Mahara, informs—He set off from his Village 15 Days, & went with Puncha, of Ambatela to Batugedara in 6 Days on

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account of the Rain—They rested at the House of an Acquaintance of Puncha's at Kahangama, 3 Heytakma from Batugedera—He remained there 2 Days, & went each Day to the Rest House. A number of People were there, constantly coming & going on Business—He thinks he saw about 200 Persons there—He bought some Rice from the People, who came to Duty & were going back to their Villages—They are building a new Row of Houses on the Outside at an Interval of a few Yards from the Square of Houses—built before—At about 150 Yards from the Rest House, was a Row of Smiths' Shops—in which there were 18 Furnaces—He examined attentively—They are making Hand bills, Mommities & Sickles, but no Lances nor Iron Balls—There is also a Row of about 10 Goldsmiths' Shops, employed in making for the Disawe Gold & Silver Work. Guards were placed to prevent People from going near, lest they should steal—

There is no Collection of Rice at the Rest House, but only as much as is sufficient for Daily Expence—The Lekams have been & are still employed in writing Account of the Lands—The Fields only—And for every Peyla Extent, the Owner contributes 2 Meals to the People, who come to write, & 4 Fs.

The Lekams are now said to be at Hunuwala Opaneyke—The Adikar imposed a great Number of Fines—& if there is a Man somewhat rich, he is sure to be accused, & Guilt imputed, & Fine levied. The Country is Palu, & the People of the Korle are all but leaving it—About 10 Days before he went there *Basnayake Nilame went to Batugedere in a Palanquin with Awuatta &c—The People of Batugedere broke his Palanquin, & complained to the Disawe, who imposed a heavy Fine, to pay which he mortgaged all his Property, & is now a Beggar—Another Man, of Goyiwanse had been †Annawala by the Disawe's Order & died.—It was supposed, that his Relations through Fear had not complained to Kandy—The Disawe is also causing Walu Kina & Muruta Trees to be cut—& the Carpenters have just begun to make Boxes for him of Jak &

* Of Sabaragamu Maha Saman Dēwālē.

† Stabbed.

Novr. 9th. 1810. Del Wood—it was supposed for the purpose of bringing to Kaltura for Sale—A Measure of Salt exchanges at Saffragam for 1 of Rice—It is strictly forbidden to bring from Kandy, Areka, Coffee, Pepper, Ensal & Wax—It is said, that the 4 former Articles are forbidden, because they must be given to the Tavellams—& the Wax is required for Kandy—His Companions purchased jointly with him 8 Cornies of Ensal at Magala, at the Limit of Uda Rata, at 3 Pice pr. Medide, & smuggled it by Secret Paths—

Novr. 11th.—Ola from S. Dias Modr. Date Novr. 10th—Sending Philippo, of Mahalle, 3 K. & Hakuruge Tikira of Karannagala—Weragodage Philipo, of Mahalle, 3 K.—informs—He is a Lascorin—About 15 Days ago he went to Kandy, with a Letter from Molligoda Nilame to Mahagabada Nilame—He was in Kandy 3 Days—& returned without an Answer to it—There is no News in Kandy, except that a New Walawuwe is building at Hanguramketa—For about 2 Months, several Paduwas below the Age of 30 have been enlisted, furnished with red Caps & white Jackets, & exercised every Day in the Maluwa with Musquets, in Troops of 30—There may be altogether about 200 Men thus drilling—The Maduwa People are Vellales, & for a long time Past used to be exercised. They wear Caps & red Jackets—It is said that the Disawes all came down upon the Arrival of Dewiweru in Kandy—Upon the first Arrival of Molligoda Nilame, the People of every Village appeared—their Names were written, & the Lascorins were asked, whether their Arms were in their possession—The Lekams have been & are still employed in writing Account of the Fields—They are now employed in Panawal Korle—Not long ago Account was written of the Distance in Leagues & Heytakma from Ruwanweylle to Mitirigala Stone—From Ruwanweylle to the Limits of 4 K., and also to Saffragam—The 3 K. consist of Dehigampala K., Atulugam K., & *Panawa K.—Molligoda Nilame not long ago caused a Pilla to cut from a Hill above it, to bring Water to his Walawuwe at Hatagoda—He is doing nothing but hearing Complaints—He is very kind to the poor People. &

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takes no Fines—It is said, that the Adikar at Saffragam oppresses the People, & takes many Fines—That he punished a Korale, of which Complaint was made to Kandy, & an Order sent to recall him—

Hakuruge Tikira, states—

That he is just returned from the 4 K. & the 7 K.—He went to a Village within 1 Hetakma of Attapitiya—The Disawe is doing nothing, but catching Elephants, & doing Pinkam—The Disawe Rakwatte is catching Elephants at Mirihanpitiya—There is no other News of any Kind—

Novr. 13th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Date Novr. 13th.—Informing, that he has learnt from Spies, that on Monday the 6th. Ratwatte Nilame caused to be driven into the Kraal 6 Eytas & 51 Ali Eytinnan, & that all are tying in Panti & to Trees—That on the Day of driving them in, one Man was killed by an Elephant—& that there is a Vague Rumour in that Country, that these Elephants are caught to give to Foreigners, but not to send to Kandy—He sends Weweyldenige Dingyhamy, of Tawalanpitiya & Radage Alenzuwa of Walbottala, to relate News they have learnt in Kandy—Dingyhamy can go without Interruption, because his Father's Brother is Walawu Mohotty to Puseylle Gabada Nilame—Dingyhamy & Alenzuwa inform—That they arrived from Kandy 3 Days ago—Dingyhamy has a Father's Brother in Kandy, who when very young, attended a Priest in Matele, & now resides in the Family of Gabada Nilame—They resided 2 Days in Kandy at this Person's House—There is no particular News—The Dewiweru are giving Dana to the Jawas, Sepoys & the Poor, at the Temples of Kataragam, Nat'ha & Vishnu—The King ordered 5 or 6 Men to (guti geyhuwa*) be punished, because an Eyta died—There is now a Rampart built in Kandy, with Stones & Earth & faced with Chunnam—& Holes in it about the Size of 2 Hands—There are People called Alutpanne Drilling in Kandy—About 150 Singhaleze, of whom 20 are Paduwas of Talampitiya in 7 K., & 25 Do. of Diwala in 4 K.—

* Punched with flats.

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It was said, that 4 Dewiwaru went abroad long ago, of whom 2 remained with Aspanti Nilame, & 2 came to Kandy—& since, 2 others have gone to the Coast—In their Way to Kandy they met at Weywuda, People bringing 5 Bera of Gunpowder to the 1st. Adikar; who is now residing at Potubowa $\frac{1}{2}$ League from Weywuda—where a Kraal has been built—The Adikar arrived there from Mawatagama, the Day before they passed on their Way to Kandy—He heard, that they are making at Potubowa a large Cask of Erabadu Tree to keep Gunpowder. That Maha Peyhidun Rice, at 12 Medides, is collecting & storing in the Atu, both in the Ihala & Pahala dolos P.—And that they now keep both Eytas & Ali, releasing none except Old ones—

NOVR. 17th—Ola from S. Dias Modr. Novr. 16th.—He has learnt from Meyddegama Jalatge Cornelius Pol. Vidan, that he heard from a Man who lived with the Disawe, that Molligoda Nilame who resides at Hatagoda has since 2 Days given Orders to the People to come with 20 Days Provisions, & in that Manner is Collecting the People; That they are collecting Kehelgas cut from their Gardens, & by means of those People is gathering & collecting a great Number of Flowers—He has sent a Spy to enquire, & will inform speedily when he returns—

NOVR. 19th.—Report from Anto Aratchy recd. from a Kandyan—That an Order has lately been issued in the 3 Korles for a Number of Persons to prepare 20 or 30 Days Rice, & proceed to Kandy. The People were collecting but not yet set off. In consequence hereof, the Floats, which were ready to proceed to Colombo have been delayed—At Saffragam it was said, The Disawe had recd. Orders to go to Kandy to answer to a Complaint occasioned by the Death of 2 Men, whom he had punished; That he was afraid to go, whilst there was no other Chief in Kandy to speak in his Favour—& had for the present, made Excuse of Sickness—& that he had written to the Disawe of 4 K. to let him know, when he went to Kandy, that he might accompany him—The Lekam of the 3 Korles, has also been suddenly called to Kandy, to answer to the Charge of having recd. RD. 1 from each Person whose Names & Lands he wrote, contrary to the Orders of the Disawe—

Novr. 20th.—Letter from Hewagam K. Modr. Informing, That he has learnt from a Spy, that the Disawe of 3 K. gave Order on the 17th. for all the Inhabitants to have ready 20 Days Provisions, at the rate of 2 Men for each Wasama, & to have ready Chouls to give when required, at the rate of 100 for each Wasama—Also that they are collecting to Kandy, for the purpose of Drilling, able Young Men from the Gabada Villages, at the rate of 1 for each Wasama—

21st.—Sopina attends & relates, as above stated—He went to Waturegama in 4 K., which is a Gabada Gama—

.. —Ola from 2d. Vid. Aratchy of Udugaha P.—A great Number of People are drilling in Kandy—An Order has been given by Disawe of 3 Korles to provide 50 Chouls each Wasama—

22d.—Kotuwellage Tomies, or Aberen, of Seda Watte, attends & informs—He left Ruwanweylle on Monday Afternoon—He has been residing there 3 or 4 Months, buying and sawing Muruta Planks—He has been sawing also some Nendoen Planks for the Disawe of 3 Korles—There is no particular News—An Order was given for the People to assemble with 20 Days Rice on Tuesday Sennight—& a Number of People did assemble at the Disawe's Residence, & proceeded with Offerings of Flowers to a Festival at Rattagala Wihara—& returned to their Homes 2 or 3 Days after—Some People said, that they were to assemble on last Tuesday, but it was believed, that their Rajakara was finished, by attending on the Tuesday before at the Wihara—There was a Report, that the 2d. Adikar had been ordered to Kandy on account of Complaints agt. him, but this Report had latterly subsided—It was said, that the Disawe of the 4 K. had arrived from Attapitiya, at Beligala, about 4 Days before he left Ruwanweylle. He heard of no Order to make ready Chouls, nor of Lascorins having come to bring People from the Dispense Villages to Kandy to Drill—The Lekam was still employed in writing Account of Lands in the Panawal Korle—

Novr. 23d.—Nilhamy, of Mitirigale attends—& informs—He went 8 Days ago to the 3 Korles to the House

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of his Brother-in-law at Hatagoda—& left it the Day before yesterday—An Order had been given about 8 Days ago for the People to make ready 30 Days Rice, but it was for a Pinkama at the Pansala of Niyunheylle, last Sunday—It continued 2 Days—The Disawe was there—& the People carried a Number of Kehelgas for Ornament—& Flowers for Offerings—An Order of the same Kind has been given for the People to assemble as yesterday, in order to proceed on Sunday next to the Pansala of Maniyangomuwa, where a similar Pinkama is to be celebrated—Some People have been ordered to bring Guns, to fire at the Festival & he heard from some People, that the Inhabts. were to assemble, not for the Pinkama, but that it was their Intention to come across the River—He brings his Brother-in-law—

Liyanage Punchyrale, of Hatagoda, informs—He did not go to the Festival at Niyunheylle Wihara—he went to the 4 K. to bring rice—A Great Number of People assembled—And an Order has been given for them to assemble again to celebrate a Pinkam at the Temple of Maniyangomuwa on Sunday—Some with Guns to fire at the Festival—Some People surmised, that it might be their Intention to come across the River—Nothing, but Pinkam are now performed in 3 K.—Pannala Unnanse &

Wrote Letter of Enquiry to Hewagam K. Modr.—

Novr. 24th.—Letter from Hewagam K. Modr.—Novr. 22d.—He has learnt from Don Philipppo, 2d. Vidan Aratchy of Udugaha P., that the Maha Lekam of 3 Korles arrived at Maniyangama on the 20th. is residing at the House of Weylikanne Appuhamillage, & writing the People's Lands—That the Roads are cleared, & Donies made ready for the Disawe to come to a Pinkama at Maniyangama Wihara on the Poye of the commencing Unduwak, i.e. on Sunday the 24th. or Monday 25th., not coming by the Hitawaka Road, which is near, but by the Panawal Road which leads to Sabaragomuwa, passing over to the Panawal K., by Algodawatte Totapala at Hitawaka Ganga—Besides, that thousands of able Young Men, at the rate of 1 to each Family from the Gabada Villages, assembled in Kandy, with fixed Pay of 1 Pagoda

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Novr. 26th.—W. Appu returns & informs—He proceeded with the Cloths, Plates & Salt Fish to Maralande Walawuwe & delivered a Part of them to the 1st. Adikar's Lady—A Messenger was sent to inform the 1st. Adikar of his Arrival—& the same Evening Pusweyille Korale came & called him to attend the 1st. Adikar, who is now residing at the Village Arampala about $\frac{1}{2}$ League Distance—He was introduced, & presented his Offering of Salt Fish, with which he was pleased, & asked whether it was from the Disawe or from himself—asked after the Disawe's Health, & entered into long Conversation, a great Part of which he cannot remember—The Adikar related the manner, in which Kandy was retaken from the English—How they hung out white Flags, & asked & obtained Permission to pass quietly to Colombo—How they marched out of Kandy that Evening & rested that Night at Wakola—That the next Morning the Malay Soldiers were first called aside, to the Number of 400, laid down their Arms & marched away—Next the Sepoys called away & treated in the same Manner. Then the Chief, Major Davey, & 2 others were called away, & the King gave directions to Massacre all the other White Men, without leaving one. They were first ordered to lay down their Arms, which was done, & then they were all put to Death. About 10 or 12 black People, Attendants remained, & fell down at the Adikar's Feet imploring their Lives. He wrote Information to the King requesting Directions, who ordered them all to be shot, & it was executed accordingly. If they had had the sense to have fired 5 Shots all the Kandyans would have run away. But there was not a sensible Man amongst them, & they suffered by their Folly—He continued there very late conversing alone, & returned to Maralande Walawuwe, after being directed to come again, before he went away—3 Days after he was again summoned at Night, & was long detained in Conversation alone as before—The Adikar observed, that he did not

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think either the King or the English had acted very wisely—The English had come from the Coast & conquered Putelam & other Countries. Will they then give it up? If he were a sensible King, he would not persist in demanding it. The English Gentleman would be given up, Ambassadors would be sent from Kandy to Colombo, & from Colombo to Kandy—How many Presents & how many Letters had been sent to Kandy within the last 4 Years, & what Advantages had been derived from it? If the Disawe were wise, he would not send away more Letters—The Adikar asked, Whether he had carried the Letters, which had lately been sent to Kandy, & whether he knew any Thing of it—He replied, No, but he had heard common Reports of it—The Adikar observed, 'It must have been the Disawe who sent them. Tell him not to send any more Letters, till I come to Kandy'—He took an Opportunity of asking, whether the Disawes had come down, for the mere Purpose of catching Elephants & writing Lands?—The Adikar answered, *Maha Wasalin Yeduna for the Disawes to come down, & I came last of them all. An Order was given to catch Elephants & to write Account of Lands; but for what Object †'Koyi Andamata Kiya' I do not know'—The Adikar dwelt much on the Injustices done by the King, said, that he had stript the Kandyan Chiefs of all their Wealth, had taken from himself 3 Laks; that none of them were well affected towards him, & that if 50 Men came, they might take possession of Kandy—He told him another Circumstance, as a great Secret, & bound him by his Oath to disclose it to none, but to the Disawe—Viz. That there was a Malabar present resident at Putelam, named Nayakare—now Deceased, but his 2 Sons are living—These are the People through whom the King conducts his Correspondence with the Dutch & French, & sends & receives Letters & sends Presents—The People from the Coast lodge at their House, & one of them accompanies them to Kandy—& when they depart, one of the Brothers comes & takes a Passport, & says they are his Relations. The Disawe there is not a Man of Sense, & is not aware of it, & takes no

* It was an order from the Great Gate.

† For what object.

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Means to intercept them. There are now 2 Malabars lodging there, sick; of which, Information was conveyed to him—He desired his best Compliments to the Disawe, & Thanks for the Medicinal Oil, & said, he wished to know the best Medicines of the English for Fever, Dysentery &c. & the Method of making mixes* Paints &c—He said, he would accomplish any thing which the Disawe wished, but told him for the Present to come only with Verbal Communications, & to bring no Writing—He returned to Maralande Walawuwe, & the next Day set off for Colombo—He recd. the Money for the Cloths which he carried; & besides, RD. 100 from the Adikar & RD. 50 from his Lady, to buy & send some more Cloths by Pusweylle Korale who sent with him—He neither saw nor heard of any other Transaction in which the Adikar & People engaged, except catching Elephants & writing Account of Lands—

He mentioned to the Adikar a Report he had heard, that they were making Gunpowder & Balls & Lances—The Adikar smiled, & showed him the Lances, (Hella) which had been made for driving the Elephants—

Pusweylle Korale attends—& delivers an Ola desiring to know the Method of making Paints &c. & the best Medicines for Fever & other Diseases—He was directed by the Adikar to deliver to me this Ola, & bring an Answer as he receives it—& to say that he would ever be friendly to our Side—He was directed also to bring back some Cloths, which he would receive from Wattela Vidan—The Adikar is doing nothing, but causing Elephants to be caught, & Account to be written of Lands—3 different Kraals have been constructed, & several Elephants taken—The Dis. of 4 K. is lately come to Ilukmodere Watte Walawuwe, near Parapé, the Limits of the 4 & 7 K—

Novr. 27th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Novr. 23d.—Informing in answer to my Ola, that he has made Enquiry & learnt for certain, that the Alutpanne, who have been enrolled by the 2 Disawes of 7 K., & Disawe of 4 K., are still living at their own Expence & performing †Weyda Paniwuda, near the Disawes, but have not been

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furnished with Dress nor Guns, have not been drilled, & have not yet Leave to go to their Villages—Moreover, that they have been enrolled from Goyiwanse only—Besides he has learnt, that near the 2 Disawes of the 7 K. Peyhidun is recd. at the rate of 7 Neyli each, as before, is distributed to their Attendants, & sometimes sent to Kandy; but there is no such Thing, as any Collection of Rice in Atu (Stores)—*That Peyhidun is recd. at the rate of 12 Neyli, & is collected in Atu, Dingyhamy must have informed me erroneously †(beyriwela) & besides is not accustomed to appear before Gentlemen—

Novr. 30th.—Pusweylle Korale attends—He saw yesterday 2 Persons from the 7 K., who informed, that the 1st. Adikar was gone to Pedduwa again to look at the Elephants—He has procured his Cloths, & is about to return to-morrow, if he gets Leave—12 Amms. of Land is reckoned 1 Mulu Kada—which is pr. Ann. 12 Ridi & at the Katya 14 Neyli of Rice & 1 Neyliya of Oil—

Dismissed him with Instructions to present my best Compts. to the Adikar—to inform him, that the time has been insufficient to enquire & write the Methods of mixing Paints &c—& the best Medicines for several Diseases—but that I will enquire & write at a future Opportunity—That it is our Intention to be exceedingly friendly both to himself & to the King—& to tell him in private, that it is the Intention of H. E. the Governor in a very few Days to dispatch a Keydapane Kadasiya to the King—

W. Appu informs—he forgot to state one Circumstance, which the Adikar directed him to acquaint me with: viz: That there was one Method by which we might subdue & keep possession of Kandy, i.e. by rendering Worship & Honour to the 4 Temples—Thus the Beylma of the Gods will be over us. But as soon as their Temples are dishonoured by killing Cattle & other Pollutions, the Gods become incensed, & Sickness seizes the People—

* Vide Nov. 13th.

† Erroneously.

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Saturd: Decr. 1st.—Godamunne Unnanse attends & relates the Circumstances of his last Journey. He stopped 2 Days at Embaraluwa Pansala, & being joined by the Wedarale, proceeded, by the Road of the 7 K.—At Kotikapala, a little on this side of Weywuda, he saw a Man said to be from Matura, with his Hands bound together, conducted by 25 Men, going as said from Maha Nilame to Kandy—They proceeded to Kandy, the Wedarale being dressed like an Oliya—& lodged at Arddana Maluwa, at a Pansala near, & belonging to Asgiri Wiharaya—The next Day the Wedarale said, he would go & lodge at the House of an Acquaintance Punchyrale in Borawey Widiya, which is not far distant.

The next Day, the Wedarale walked about the Streets, & went to Bogambere Weywa to bathe. The next Day he informed him, that he was afraid to stay, because the Katupulle People were searching about for Men of Pata Rata, who were come to get Intelligence. However he persuaded him still to remain & he consented—The next Day however, on going there, the Wedarale was gone & had left a Message saying that he would wait for him at Kande Wihara, near Weywuda—Accordingly himself immediately set off, joined him there & returned—The first Evening of their Arrival in Kandy, they went to Dalada Maligawa, & met there Maha Gabada Nilame, who bowed to him, & asked what Day he came from Meydepola Pansala, & when he was going back—but made no other Enquiries—

The People of Kandy said, that they were making Preparations for War—He saw only, that the Dutchman was superintending the Making of Gunpowder in the Wedibet Maduwa, & People were cleaning & repairing Guns in the Kammalata—There are several Singhaleze drilling—21 Divisions of 30 Men each. Composed of Young Men of all Casts—They wore high black Soldiers Caps, black Jackets & white Trowsers, & exercise with Guns—Their Chiefs wear 3 cornered Hats—The Maduwe People are distinct & wear red Jackets—He saw in the Streets 5 Malabar Men said to have come very lately from the Coast with

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a Letter. They wore Turbans, red Jackets, & black Trowsers—He also met 2 or 3 different Letters, brought by Messengers on the Road 1 by a Malabar Man of this Country, who said he came from Trincomale—On the Road through the 7 K. he was told by a Korale & also by a Mohottiyar, that in the Disawanies, the People were enrolling—The Singhaleze above stated, who are drilled Morning & Evening, are employed during the Day in raising a Rampart round Maha Dewale—

Wedarale delivers an Ola, in which he has written Account of his Journey—& another Ola containing Intelligence & obtained from his Uncle Ganegoda Unnanse—They reached Kandy in the Evening. The Priest stayed at the Pausala. Himself went to the House of an Acquaintance, Yakadagodaya; the next Day he went to bathe at Bogambara Weywa with the *Yakagodaya. On their Return, he saw in the †Strt. 5 Malabars, who as the Yakadagodaya informed, had arrived in Kandy 4 or 5 Days ago with a Letter. He saw a Number of People drilling in Kandy by a Mistrie & a Malabar—about 400 Malabars, 250 Moormen & 200 Malays.—No Singaleze whatever. The same Evening the Yakadagodaya came & informed, that Enquiry was making for Priests of Pata Rata, that none were found except Pattiwila & Polhena Unnanse: that it was unsafe for him to remain, & he must set off the next Morning—He set off early, & coming across the River, waited at Kande Wiharaya, till the Priest joined him—

The Ola of Intelligence from Ganegoda Hamiduruwo contains in Substance—That if Foreigners arrive, there will be War, not otherwise & that the Foreigners will certainly come in 3 Months. They will not come to Kandy, but the Kandyan Chiefs will come down—An Order has been given to write Account of the Priests, who reside in Temples—& an Order to break down Malwatte Wihara—

“ Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Novr. 29th.—He has learnt from a Spy, that the People enrolled by the Disawe of 4 K. & the People enrolled on that Side near to Kandy have recd. Clothing &

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But the People enlisted by the 2 Disawes of 7 K. have not been sent to Kandy—

Decr. 2d.—Receive Information from Hewagam K. Modr., that the Disawe of 3 Korles did not come to the Temple of Maniyangomuwa as expected—It is now reported, that a Festival is to be celebrated there on the next full Moon, but it is much doubted whether the Disawe will come, because it is not considered proper that he should come so near to our Limits—

Decr. 5th.—W. Appu attends & informs, that he dispatched the Korale with the Cloths—& some Combelines & Cakes for the Adikar & his Lady—& a Cloth worth RD. 4, for himself—He has lately seen in Colombo some People of the Gabadawa—coming to buy Cloths. They said, there are about 50 Singaleze drilling in Kandy, but they will tell nothing—

.. 7th.—Hapitigam K. Modr. informs, That he has just recd. Information from his Korle, that the Disawe of 4 K. came on Monday Night last to Galigomuwa, which is nearer to our Limits, than Attapitiya—

.. 8th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Date 7th.—Informing, that he has learnt from a Spy, that the Disawe of 4 K. left Attapitiya on Monday the 3d. & arrived the same Night at Galigomuwa—He came with 4 Kodituwaku, but no other Arms. Moreover there is a Vague Report, that he will speedily come to Beligala.

.. 9th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. date Decr. 9th.—Sending Naiwalage Ungurale of Hapugahagedara, who has been to the 7 K. for Intelligence—Naiwalage Ungurale informs—He went to Mawatagama, where his Relations live—& *remain there 2 Days—The 1st. Adikar is there, & the People are employed in nothing but catching Elephants: one Person of each Family being in Attendance for that purpose. The People are furnishing Rice at the rate of 7 Neyli for each Peyhidun—It is consumed by the People & none is stored—No People are employed in digging Iron Stones, nor is any Iron Work making—There are 12 Eytun, &

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several Ali caught—The Kraal is Square, each Side consisting of 200 Piles, about 1 Yard distant from each other—There are 2 Gates to the Kraal, each in the Centre of 2 opposite Sides—& when they approach the Kraal, tame Female Elephants with a Rider on—go in the middle of the Troop—Mawatagama is about 5 Leagues from the Limits—On his Return he came through Kolamunne (about 3 Leagues from the Limits) where Rakwatte Dis. resides. He is doing nothing but catching Elephants—There are 50 People called Alutpanne, enrolled by each of the Disawes. They have no Arms nor Uniforms—They are of Lascorius' Families, & are doing Duty near the Rest Houses—He heard of no Paduwas sent to Kandy from the 7 K. to drill—

- 9th.—Peyniheyyla Dingyrale attends & informs, That after receiving the Quill, he proceeded to Kandy, & about 12 Days after in company with his Friend Angegammeyhe went to Hurikaduwa, where the English Gentleman resides, & delivered it.—The Gentleman was sitting on a Messa covered with a *Straw & Mat, but no Cloth. He wore a red Jacket in good Condition & white Pantaloon which were torn—He had a long Beard, & appeared thin & seemed to be ill provided with Victuals, since the Kandyan Chiefs had left Kandy. After reading the Paper, he asked how many Days ago he recd. it—& when asked whether he would accompany them to escape, said that he could not for want of Sereppu, & desired, that they might be brought to him—He said, that for want of Ink, he could not write an Answer, & desired, either that Ink in a Phial, or Ink Powder should be brought—Himself returned to Kandy, & about 30 Days after, went once more to the English Gentleman with Angegammeyhe, & was desired as before to bring some Ink & Paper—& Sereppu—& to tell the Disawe, that, he wanted Money to buy Fowls &c—but said nothing more particular—Himself has been unable to come to Colombo, being detained in Kandy to prosecute Complaints before Tot Nilame, with other Persons of his Village Agt. Minuan Lekam his *Gan Edirikaraya—He

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+ Enemy owing to land dispute, hereditary enemy.

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left Kandy about 12 Days ago—He was not in Kandy, when the first Movement took Place (which was done without any previous Orders issued for Preparations at the Rest houses, but he went to Kandy, before the last Disawes came down & he appeared before the Disawe of 4 K. on his Way—It was publicly said, that the Disawes came down to catch Elephants, but it was said in Secret, that they came down in Expectation of the French or Dutch arriving; & that some White Men had arrived in Kandy with a Letter, but went back again—Himself did not see them—The Report of the Arrival of the Dutch or French has now subsided—There are now drilling in Kandy about 250 or 300 Malays, of Katukeyle; 200 Caffres, & about 20 Sepoys—but no Singhaleze whatever are drilling, or called to Kandy for that purpose. He requests to be furnished with some Ink or Ink Powder, & Paper—and with a *Pr. of Sereppu, if it is intended, that he should effect his Escape this time—

Decr. 13th.—Dispatched Peyniheyyla Dingyrale—with Ink Powder, & a Few Words written on small Piece of Paper—
Gave him RD. 20—

„ 23d.—Induruwege Paolo of Seda Watte, attends & informs,

That he has been in the 3 & 4 K. about 10 Days & returned the day before yesterday—He went to Moragammaua in 4 K. to recover a Debt from Sinna Tamby, who has a Tavellam there—and remained a few Days at Ruwanwelle—The Disawe of 4 K. is gone to Galigomuwa some Days ago, which is about 2 Leagues from Attapitiya near the Limits of the 7 K.—He caused a Kraal to be erected there & caught 1 Aliya & 1 Eyta with very long Teeth—The latter, as soon as his Legs were bound, struck his Teeth about 2 Feet into the Ground & died on the Spot—The Disawe of the 3 K. moved about the same time from Pannala to Niyunheylla, about $\frac{1}{2}$ a League N. from the high Road—The Writing of the People's Lands is finished, & the Disawe is doing nothing, but collecting the Debts from the Renters of the Tavellam of last Year—

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Nando Vidan & his Brother being both in Saffragam, the Son of the former a Boy of about 5 or 6 Years old, is put in Irons by Night & tied to a Tree by Day—for the purpose of recovering Debts. A Son of Sresma lebbe, of Orta Seda, a Partner, who had brought 300 or 400 Amms. of Areka to Colombo, absconded & fled to Colombo, where he has paid the Debts & living like a Prince—

28th— W. Appu attends & relates, that the Day before yesterday, a Man of Pottabowa in 7 K. informed him, that 4 Malabar Men, Nayakas, from the Coast, coming by the Way of Puttalam, had passed through to Kandy about 6 Days before, & being furnished with Adukku Peyhidun. He saw to-day 3 or 4 other Kandyans of Piduruweylle, also in the 7 K.—who related the same Fact, That the 4 Malabars had passed from Puttalam, & 2 of them were Principal Persons—
The 1st. Adikar removed a few Days ago to the Village where is a great *Adawiya, & is again catching Elephants there—There is no other News of any Kind—

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All Reports agree in stating, that the Disawes are all perfectly quiet in their respective Korles—

Jany. 17th.—W. Appu attends—& informs, That he has met with some People of the Gabadawa, who informed, that the English Gentleman, had been brought to Kandy on account of Sickness—had been cured after remaining there about 8 or 9 Days, & was sent back to Dumbara about 17 Days ago—He has seen also a Kandyan Priest, who came to his House, on account of Acquaintance formed in Yatiyawala Pansala—He came to see Colombo, & †Kelaniya Wandinda. He informed, that the King was exceedingly ill, but did not suffer the Fact to be Known. That his Mother, his Infant Daughter, & another Relation had died—Also that some Malabars had come to Kandy.

* Wilderness.

† To worship at Kelaniya.

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The Man, whom he sent to Maralande Walawuwe with some returned last Night, & informed, that the 1st. Adikar was preparing to return to Kandy, in consequence of an Order recd. from thence, & was expected to set out, the Day this Messenger came away; now 6 Days—

The rata Korale is arrived from Eyheylepola Udagampahe at Saffragam—& called on him—& told him, that Udagampahe had directed him to go to him (Wattala Appu) & say that he was very anxious to see the Disawe, & proposed to take Measures for meeting him at some Place on the Limits in a private Manner—The Korale is come to buy some Velvet, with Money to be given by the Wanniyas for Areka, which Udagampahe has sent here—

Desired him to call the Korale here to-morrow Evening—

- 18th.—The Rata Korale attends and informs— That he came to Colombo about 15 Days ago, being sent by Udagampahe for the purpose of purchasing some Velvet. He has met with some, which a Person who lives near the Cutchery, has caused to be brought from Galle—1 Piece of Green Velvet, 40 Cts., another of red, 41 Cts.—He has agreed to buy the former for RD. 500, which a Wanniya is to give, for Areka sent down by Udagampahe—He wants this Velvet to make Caps for the 2d. Adikars—of Green. No other Colour will suit the Purpose & no other Chiefs can Wear Green Velvet—The Disawes all *came down into their Korles for the purpose of catching Elephants, writing Lands, & improving the Country—They are not caught in Saffragam, because there are no Kuruwe People there. There is a White Elephant there, sacred to Sripade, which cannot be caught—The Writing of Lands by Lekams has been completed in 1 Korle only. They are employed in a 2d.—& 5 more remain—Udagampahe is at present employed in no particular Project—He has caused Chests & Boxes to be made by Carpenters from Moratuwa, of Kalamander & Nendoen Wood—not for Sale, but for the purpose of sending to Kandy

* Udagampahe, Molligoda Nilame of 3 K., & his Younger Brother of Demala P. all left Kandy first on the same day—(Note in M. S.)

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—He has employed Goldsmiths & Silversmiths in working for himself—& Blacksmiths in making Momaties, Keytta, Weyas & Guns to send to Kandy. 1000 of each Description have been ordered—& a Part already sent. He has likewise caused a Number of large Mast Timbers to be cut & dragged down—at the Desire of the Waniya, who wanted them—

These Mast Timbers are all for Udagampahe's own Profit—Udagampahe has brought with him an Eyta, on which he rides, but no Horse—His Family have 3 Horses—2 of them went with his 2 Nephews, who are Disawes of Matale, & Nuwera Kalawiya—& the 3d. was too sorry a Horse to bring—Udagampahe's Elder Brother (now Decd.) was Disawe of Uwa, & came to make War at the Leways—Udagampahe became Disawe of Uwa after him—Udagampahe is married to a Sister of Keyppitipola, formerly Disawe of Matale, being a Daughter of an elder Sister of Pilama Talawuwe—

He was directed by Udagampahe to go to Wattala Vidan, & inform that he was very desirous of seeing the Disawe, & that he hoped a Meeting might take place on the Frontiers.

He was directed also, if he found Opportunity to go to the Disawe, & inform him in the same Manner. It was the Intention of Udagampahe, that the Interview should take place without the Knowledge of the Public or the Knowledge of the King. It may be done (i.e. there will be no Difficulty) on Udagampahe's Side—& he believes, Udagampahe will send an Ola in 6 or 7 Days after his Return to Batugedara—

21st.—The Rata Korale again attends & states, That he expects to receive the Velvet Cloth to-morrow—

Desired him to attend the Day after to-morrow—
23d.—The Rata Korale attends & states, That the Waniya informed him RD. 400 were already paid for the Velvet Cloth; & that the other RD. 100 would be paid to-morrow, & the Cloth obtained—Another Messenger arrived to-day from the Adikar with an Ola, directing him to come immediately, whether with the Cloth or without it—He will attend again to-morrow Evening, & shall certainly set out the following—

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24th.—The Rata Korale attends & states, That the Wanniya has promised to pay the Money, & have the Velvet ready for him this Evening, when he returns—Another Messenger has arrived to-day to hasten him, & he shall without fail set off to-morrow Morning—

Instructed him to deliver my best Compts. to the 2d. Adikar, & to state—That Govt. had many Days ago recd. Information, that he was come to purchase Velvet Cloth, & to manifest its Friendly Inclination, had given Permission to take it away. But another time it would be advisable for him to write to me, when he was in want of Valuable Articles of that Kind, otherwise he might possibly meet with Difficulties in procuring them—That there continued here the same Friendly Inclination, & Disposition to Peace, but it was impossible to recede from the Terms which had before been made known—That the 2d. Adikar would probably have heard, that the present Governor was shortly about to leave the Island; That it was the Govr.'s Intention very shortly to send a Keydapana to announce this Event to the King—That I am much gratified with the kind Message which he has sent, desiring to see & converse with me at the Frontiers; That it would give me great Pleasure to meet him, & it would be good, if he would write an Ola, to state the Object of the Conference he desired, & at what place and at what time he would meet me—

Jany. 25th.—Kahapattala Unnanse attends & relates, That he belongs to Malwatta Viharaya, & resides there—He is come to Colombo to buy some Cloths for Siwuras—& some Medicines for his Gurunanse Polpitigoda Unnanse, who is Anunayaka—There is also another Anunayaka called*

or Moratota Kuda Unnanse, who has lately since the Death of the King's Kiriamma & his Daughter read Bana to the King from Mahawanse—Kobeykaduwe Unnanse was appointed Nayaka last Wesak Upasampada, in the place of Moratota who is still living, but unable to speak or to move abroad—The King has lately been sick, but was recovered before he left Kandy. His

* Paranātala.

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Kiriamma () & Daughter died about 20 Days before he left Kandy, within 8 Days of each other. It is supposed that some Yaksha (Devil) has taken Possession of the Palace; for since their Death he has been continually moving about the Palace, shaking & knocking at the Doors & Windows—There is no Work proceeding in Kandy except making a Dam of Weywa—

& finishing the Wall & Gate Way round Kandy—There are about 300 Sepoys & Malays, who regularly exercise in Kandy; & some Maduwe Eytto, who do not exercise regularly. Some new Hewapanne have lately been enrolled, but not yet called out or exercised—The Disawes were all sent into the Korles for the Purpose of catching Elephants.

Q. Was there no other Cause?—A. Publicly I know of no other Cause, but Secretly I can tell a little. It was because there was Intelligence of War prevailing in the Sea, & that the French & Dutch were coming. But now there is no Talk of that Nature. At that time there was a Man, a Kind of Yaka who came from the Coast with a Letter. He was naked, except an Iron Cap on his Head, & Iron Pitapota round his Waist.

I saw him in Kataragam Dewale. He was a black Man. He lived at Kataragam Dewale, & ate no Rice, but lived on ripe Kehel & Fruits—He remained in Kandy 10 Days, & then returned—

28th.—Dispatched 2 Appuhs. Wanygesuryge Mudiyauselage Don Andries Appuhy. & Eyllege Don Alexander Appuhy. both of Mulhiriya, with a Keydapana, Letter from the Govr. to the King—Also with Letter to Disawe of 3 K.—(No. 61 & 62—)

Directed them to reach Hangwelle this Night & Sitawaka to-morrow Morning—

Gave them RD. 25 for Expences—

31st.—Induruwege Paolo, of Orta Seda, attends & informs, That he returned from the 3 Korles the Night before last—he has been into the 4 Korles to the Tavellam of Sinna Tamby the Wanniya—He remained 4 Days at Attapitiya, where the Dis. of 4 K. is again residing. He is not employed in catching Elephants, nor any other Business—A

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great Number of the Elephants, which were caught have died—The Disawe is hearing ordinary Complaints, & nothing else—He remained about 8 Days at Ruwanweylle. The Dis. of 3 K. residing as before, at Niyunheylle, doing nothing but hearing the ordinary Complaints, & riding about. He is enclosing a Spot of Ground, Peylanwatte for the purpose of planting, on the other side of Gurugoda Oye, with a Ditch so deep, that an Elephant cannot pass it—& since this Work was begun, the usual Adukku Peyhidum is remitted—The Brother of Nando Vidan, who had absconded on acct. of Arrears of Rent, had come back with 2 Vidans & an Ola from Eyhelepola, & a Present of a Silver Box. The Disawe upon this has treated him kindly, not pressed him for his Rent, & engaged to answer for it himself—About 5 or 6 Days ago there was a Rumour, that a Detachment was about to march from Colombo; which arose in Consequence of an Order to repair the Roads—but it will now subside in Consequence of the Appuhs. going with a Keydapana—He was at Hangwelle the Day before yesterday, when the 2 Appuhs. left it with 3 Tomtoms on their to Sitawaka, at about 1 P.M.—

Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Date Jany. 30th. 6 P.M.—Informing, that the 2 Appuhs. arrived at Hangwelle about 10 A.M. on the 29th.—& proceeded at about 11 with Sinharan to Sitawaka; where they remained on this Side, that Night. The next Day (30th.) Yalagama Mohottale, a Korale, & Maniyangomuwa Talattheyni Rala came & conducted them across the River at 2 P.M.—& lodged them at Hitawaka Tanayama—

Ola from Don Andries, Vid. Aratchy of Udu-gaha P. Hewagam K. Dated Jany. 30th.—Informing, that the 2 Appuhs. rested on this Side the River on the Night of the 29th. & on the 30th. at about 2 at Noon, were conducted across the River by Yalagama Mohottirale, a Korale & Maniyangomuwa Talattheynirale, & proceeded to the Rest house of Sitawaka—

Jany. 29th.—Conversed in the Fort with Comm. Fute—who relates, in what manner the Korale from the 2d. Adikar came & applied to him for the green Velvet—A Moorman, who was to furnish the

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Money for Areka to be hereafter sent from Saffragam, came afterwards to negotiate for it, & yesterday the Korale came, with a Moorman & a Malabar who brought the Money (RD. 500. the Price was RD. 480—and the Moorman was to receive RD. 20)—The Korale promised according to his Invitation, to come to-morrow (this Day) to look at other Cloths—But having heard from a Singaleze Doctor who attends to his Family, named Bolawalana, that the Korale was going, he sent for him, & shewed him his Cloths & called him aside & conversed with him. The Korale related, in answer to his Enquiries, that the Disawes had not come down for War, but to catch Elephants, & write Acct. of Lands—That 2 Korles had been written & 5 remained—That a Letter had been sent to Kandy 3 Months ago to enquire whether Peace could be made—& the Answer was returned—That Peace might be made upon the Terms, which before existed—That Major Davey was still alive & well in Dumbara, was supplied with Victuals & Clothes by the King, with Clothes such as we wear, but had no Shoes or Stockings. He was sent for by the King occasionally, when wanted, & sent back to Dumbara—

He has got a complete Suit of an Adikar's Dress in 3 Pieces, fine Cloth, embroidered with Gold—Also a Piece of Crimson Velvet—He caused the Velvet to be sent out to him from London, in consequence of an Application to him from a Kandyan a Year or 2 Ago—

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Feby. 2d.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. date Jany. 31st.—Informing in Answer to my Ola—That he sent a trusty Person to enquire, & has learnt, that 2 Messages came to Pallegampahe to go to Kandy—but he is not yet gone—That on Wednesday the 22d—he went from Mawatagama to the Rest House of Weywuda, & is residing there—He has also learnt, that the Disawe of Pahala dolos P. has given directions to carry to him 1 Gun from each Wasama—but none have been yet collected—He has not learnt, that any such Order has yet been given in 4 K. or in the Ihala dolos P.—

Feby. 2d.—Ola from Alut Kur K. Modr. Date Feby. 2d—
 1811. Informing, that he has learnt, that the Disawe of
 7 K. is come from Katugampolahena to Itana-
 watte, & having given Order to the Inhabitants
 thereabouts, is collecting Guns—

Feby. 2d.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Date Feb.
 1st.—Informing, that he has learnt from Don Phi-
 lippu 2d. Vid. Aratchy of Udugaha P., That the 2
 Appuhs, having stayed the Night of the 31st. at
 the Rest house of Hitawaka, on the other Side of
 the River, Yalagama Mohottale, Pannala Mohot-
 tale & Rajapaksha Aratchy came thither with Kodi
 Sinharan on Friday the 1st., & conducted them
 away from the Rest house of Hitawaka at about
 11 A. M.—

Feby. 3d.—Ola from the 2 Appuhs. Dated at Hitawaka
 Feby. 1st. 1811—Addressed to the 2d. Maha Modr.
 Informing, that they reached Awissahawela in the
 Afternoon of Tuesday 29th. & rested there. The
 next Day, Wednesday 30th. Yalagama Mohottale,
 & the Korle Mahatmayas of Panawal K. & Dehi-
 gampal K. came to the Gantera of Hitawaka,
 conducted them across the Ferry, & lodged them
 in the Rest house—Again on Friday 1st. of Feby.,
 Yalagama Mohottale, Pannala Mohottale & Raja-
 paksha Aratchille came to Hitawaka, & at about
 11 A. M. conducted them away from Hitawaka
 with Kodi Sinharan.

„ 3d.—Hakuruge Hencha attends & informs, That
 he is just returned from Kandyan Country—He
 went to Attapitiya & complained to the Disawe
 agst. Kohombadeniya Galladda for a Debt of RD.
 50—The Disawe caused him to pay it immediately—
 & called him aside, & told him to go to the Disawe
 of Colombo, & tell him, that the English Gentle-
 man should be delivered up in case Putelam should
 be given up, or in case an Ambassador should go
 to Kandy, & Ambassadors pass backwards & for-
 wards as formerly—That himself & Pallegampabe
 would propose it to the King, & if he did not con-
 sent, they would both come over to our Side—He
 was desired to bring an Ola from the Disawe of
 Colombo, & an Answer would be returned—If he
 is not to be credited, another Confidential Person
 may be sent with him—He is going again to Kandy
 the Day after to-morrow—He arrived here the
 Night before last from Kandy—

Feby. 10th.—Ola from Hewagam K. *Udug: P. Vid
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 Appuhamies accompanied by Parusseylle Lekam &
 Karawudeniya Mudiyanse with Kodi Sinharan &
 Udu Wiyan departed from Ruwanweylle on Sun-
 day (Riwi) the 23d. (should be the 3d.)—

.. 12th.—Godamunne Unnanse attends & informs,
 that he left Kandy 10 Days ago—He went there by
 the Road of the 7 Korles with the Wedarale, &
 remained 5 Days at Malwatte Wiharaya—There is
 no particular News—A few Sepoys, about 200
 Moormen, & the Maduwe Eytto are exercising—
 The Work of the Ramparts has been abandoned—
 About 30 of the King's Household have lately
 died within a short time of each other—& amongst
 them a Prince & the King's Kiriamma—The King
 is now gone lately to reside at Kundasale Nuwara
 —Since his Return to Embaraluwa Temple the
 Kapu of Alutnuwara came there, & related, that
 200 Guns & 20 Parrahs of Gunpowder had been
 carried to the Disawe of 4 K. at Beligala, 300 Guns
 & 20 †Ps. of Gunpowder to Maha Nilame, in Ihala
 Dolos Pattu—The same to the Disawe of the
 Pahala dolos Pattu—& Guns & Gunpowder have
 been sent within 3 Days to the other Disawes—The
 Kadawats of the Hills have been stopped—(Com-
 plains agt. Adanhamy Atukorale for abusing him
 —& giving Intelligence to the Disawe of 4 K. that
 he is a Spy—

.. 15th.—Wattala Appu attends, & informs, that he
 has seen a Kandyan, who related, that the King
 went about 10 Days ago to reside at Hanguramketa
 Nuwara—

.. 16th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Feby.
 16th.—Informing, that he has learnt from a Spy,
 that the Disawe of 4 K. is gone from Attapitiya to
 Miduma to catch Elephants; & that the Maha
 Lekam is at the Village Puhula, & for 3 Days has
 been writing Account of Gardens & Fields there—

.. 16th.—Ola from Do—Date Feby. 15th. Inform-
 ing that he sent 2 Persons to enquire what was
 doing near Pilama Talawuwe of Ihala dolos P.

* Udugaha.

† Parrahs.

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& Ratwatte Nilame of Pahala dolos P.—He sends one of them, Hewaradage Alenzuwa to relate, what he has learnt—

Radage Alenzuwa, of Walbottala, attends & informs, That he set off on Saturday last with Ungurale, & proceeded to Pedduwa where Pallegampahe is residing. He came to Weywuda about 10 Days ago, in consequence, as stated, of an Order from Kandy, but returned after staying there 3 or 4 Days—He has caught the Number of Elephants required, viz: 25 Eytas & 25 Aliyas; the People were breaking down the Kraal at Mukalanyaya to build a Bana Maduwa—On their Return, they went to Kolamunne, where Ratwatte Nilame is residing—lately returned from Lepolawa, where is a Kraal, which 2 Elephants lately broke, & Killed 2 Men. It was said—that an Order had been given by both these Disawes to collect Guns; but they saw no Signs, nor heard of any being collected—There had been a Report in Kandy, that 9000 Men had been

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Novr. 12th.—Hurukgomuwa Unnanse attends & states, That he has been lately into the 7 K., & has brought an Ola addressed to me from Kalundawe Mohottale who desired, that it might be delivered into my own Hands—

The Ola is addressed to the Disawe of Colombo, by Jayatilika Wikkrama Pandita Kalundawe Mohottale to the following effect:—‘Now having sent Disawes into our Country & other Disawanies they rob the Country. The People of the Country are heart-broken—Besides Pallegampahe Adikaram & several other Disawes who stood for our Protection, have been beheaded—& his Son is imprisoned in Hewaheyte, lest he should come to this Country. Now our one Disawany has been given to 2 Disawes—Now in the Pahala dolos P. where we reside, Unambuwe Bandara having obtained the Office of Adikar & Disawe, residing at the Village Watukona, & saying that it is the Order of the G. Gate, having given Directions to all the People of the Wihara, Dewale, Gabada; &

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Korala Wasam, has caused Musquets to be collected, & People to be drilled—bringing Smiths has caused Bullets & Iron to be cut—Gunpowder to be made—& collected Kuda as large as 5 from each Family. Calling it 7 Peyhidun he measured 50 of Rice—& caused to be collected Fowls, Eggs, Ghee. Whilst they give Adukku Peyhidun, he charges Crimes on the Innocent & takes Fines—Besides having made an Eytgala he catches Elephants—Now they send People of the Gabada with Kuda to Kandy to repair the Tank—They fired at the Neyket towards the Fort of Halawata—On acct. of such Wrongs & Injustices not being able to remain in this Country, our Minds are broken. Because at this time, the Disawes are in the Country, & because we have Children & Cattle, if 1 or 2 of us should do anything, they will ruin all our Things—Therefore if there be any Succour to us, if you wish to receive Service from us, when a few of the Jawas who came from Kandy, & a Detachment being sent, pass the Maha Oye, coming & appearing, the War which is made afterwards, we will make—

The Persons concerned in this are Hurukgomu rale, Udumulle Rale, Yakkawita rale, Kandedegara rale, Hanweylle rale, Patigewatte Rale, Kirimey-tiye Rale, Paragahaweywe Rale, Munamale Rale, Mirihanpitiye Rale, these are the Words (Assent) of these Mohottales. I will be answerable taking the Words of all these Persons, to accomplish this Matter—This Matter I communicate to the Great Disawe—

13th.—Delivered to Tamby Modr. a Letter Dated Novr. 12th.—to be sent to Major Davey by the Messengers who brought a Letter from him (Vide Novr. 8th.) also Paper—Also gave to him 25 Str. Pags., whereof 20 to be given as a Reward to the 2 Messengers, 5 to be conveyed to Major Davey—

13th.—Ukkuwa, Wahumpuraya, of Degaldoruwa, in Dumbara, attends with the Pol. Vid. of Koskandawala (Vide Septr. 14th.) & brings a letter from Major Davie—Dated 'Gomagode July'—He relates, That he delivered the small Note recd. from hence, & the 10 Str. Pags. to the Gentleman.

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He read the Note & immediately tore it, seemingly displeased. He appeared pleased with the 10 Pags.—He was lying down apparently sickly—He told him, not to come again himself, but said he would send an Answer by the Gammeyhe, who cooks for him. Accordingly about 5 Days after the Gammeyhe brought the Letter which he now delivers—He delayed some time after receiving it, because he had Fields to sow, & besides was waiting for another Person to accompany him—He had recd. the Letter about 20 Days before he left Dumbara—

14th.—Koskandawala Unnanse attends & informs. That he lived formerly at Degaldoruwa Wihara & had twice an Opportunity of seeing the English Gentleman—at the time when he suffered Insult from his Malabar Servant, & came away without leave to the River at Leweylle to complain —& would have gone to Kandy, but was prevented there—Some Head men came there from Kandy, & enquired into the Complaint, & punished his Servant & other Servants were allotted to him from the Gabadawa—On this Occasion the English Gentleman passed by his Temple, which is on the Road & stopped there. For the last 2 or 3 Years he has been resident at Malwatte Wihara, in consequence of an Order that no Person, not a Native of Dumbara or Hewaheyte should reside there—He has now the liberty of going for a Day or 2 & returning but not more—He has long had it in Contemplation to attempt the Escape of the English Gentleman & thinks it might be effected by employing Ukkuwa & 3 or 4 other trusty Persons, to bring him away by Night in a Cloth; for he is in such a State as not to be able to walk—It should be contrived, with the Gammeyhe, that no Intelligence of his Escape should reach Kandy, or at least that no general Notice of it should be published in the Korles, till they have brought him across the Limits—which may be done in 3 Nights—He proposes to bring him away the first Night to Hulugammana in Harispattuwa, & thence by secret Paths to the Hapitigam K.—

For employing these People, he requests 50 Star Pags. & 50 P.N. Pags., which, if he does not succeed he will repay—He is not certain of Success, but will exert his best Endeavours—

NOVR. 16th.—Koskandawala Unnanse & Ukkuwa attend—
 1811. Gave to Koskandawala Unnanse for the purposes
 above stated 50 Str. Pags. & 50 P.N. Pags. & took
 his Receipt for the Amount—

Delivered also to Ukkuwa in the presence of the
 Priest a Letter for Major Davey, date Novr. 16th.

Also the following Articles. A Phial Harts-
 horn, 1 lb. of Tea, (Salt Fish for the Priest says
 he has purchased with the Money I gave the Day
 before Yesterday) Paper 2 Sheets, 2 Quills, Ink-
 powder, a Pencil—5 Gold Mohurs, & 10 Str.
 Pagodas—Gave also to Ukkuwa as a Reward for
 himself 10 Str. Pagodas—

Ukkuwa informs, That about 10 Days before
 he came away, Gammeyhe came & informed him—
 That a Man of Talawinna had come to the English
 Gentleman, & was about to obtain a Letter from
 him. But Gammeyhey perceiving it, seized the
 Man, & bound him & beat him, & was about to
 send him to Kandy—but released him for Charity,
 after taking away a Knife which he had—Gam-
 meyhe is in his Interest, but will not suffer other
 People to hold such Communication, without his
 Privy—

Novr. 22d.—The Duraya of Paduwas, of Talampitiya,
 attends & informs, That he is come to Colombo
 by Order of Pusweylle Disawe of Ihala dolos P.,
 for the purpose of calling Wattala Appu with some
 Cloths which Pusweylle is in want of to perform
 Pinkam—He was ordered also, in case W. Appu
 declined to come, to go to the Disawe of Colombo,
 & request that he might be sent—The Tanayama
 where Pusweylle resided at Atamune, was burnt
 down by Night about 15 Days ago. The Ola
 Peylali caught fire by Accident from a Light which
 was kept near his Horse—Pusweylle after this
 Accident has been residing at Kuruneygala where
 a Pinkam is to take place the next Full Moon—

Shewed to him a *Watch, & acquainted him,
 That I had sent to the far distant Country, &
 caused it to be made at a great Expence, because
 I thought it would be a worthy & acceptable

* Perhaps the gold watch made in London, which subsequently
 belonged to Ehelépolá. The thirty Sinhalese hours and each division of
 five minutes are marked in 'lit ilakkam.'

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Present to the King—& I now reserve it for the purpose of presenting to him, in case at any future time a Reconciliation should be effected—He says, * 'Yahapati. Budubawa sidd'hawechehawe'—

Directed him, if Opportunity offered to assure Pusweylle Nilame of my best Regard, that I entertain the same Friendship for him, as formerly & shall be happy to hear from him—

Instructed W. Appu to go & to desire my best Compts. to Pusweylle & to Unambuwe Nilame—

- 26th.—Awusadahamy of Saffragam (Vide Novr. 6th.) attends & informs, That about 10 Days before he left Saffragam there was a great Bustle all over the Country in consequence of a Report that a Detachment was about to march from hence—occasioned by clearing the Roads to Nambapane. The People were summoned from their Villages with Arms—their Arms put in order, Gunpowder brought from Moraheyila Kanda & Kuruwita Korale sent with People towards Nambapane to keep Guard—The People had removed all their Property into the Jungle—except the †3 Nilames, who however had removed a little—Warigama Atapattu Nil. was much pleased with the Message he recd. & gave him (Awusadahamy) a Tuppoti in token of his Satisfaction. He kept him several Days, saying that he would send an Ola, & in the expectation that a Detachment would actually march from Colombo that the Disawe would accompany it, & that he might learn, what were our Wishes with regard to Saffragam. He instructed him now to say, that he would send anything whatsoever which I desired to procure from Kandy—& himself & the other 2 Nilames were ready to obey whatsoever we said—That whilst other People were secreting their Property, themselves had not for the Disawe's sake—Eylapata Nilame desired him to say, that with respect to the Keydapana brought from Nalande & Trincomale, it now seemed as tho' it were a Stratagem of the King's—The Keydapana, which went lately from hence to Kandy, was sent down to the Adikar at Batugedara

* It is good. May you attain Buddhahood.

† Warigama, Elapáta, and Eknelligoda.

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the Day before himself reached Batugedara last time—& on his Way to Sitawaka he met the 2 Appuhs. returning to Colombo—The Adikar returned an Answer by the same Messengers—Sannasses are sent down to the Adikar once in 2 or 3 Days, but no one knows their Contents—There are now about 350 Men drilling at Batugedara.

27th.—Awusadahamy again attends—He has not met with Aberan or the Liyan Aratchy in Columbo—Instructed him to give my best Compts. to all 3 Nilames—& to tell Warigama Nilame, that there did not appear a probability that a Detachment would proceed from hence quite immediately, but I should be glad of his Services, when it did, & in the meantime he might be assured of my Friendship—

28th.—Ola from S. Dias Modr. dated Novr. 25th. 1811—Informing, that the Disawe of Korletune having communicated to the Great Gate, that a great Number of Ab'harana (Gods' Ornaments) had been carried upon a white Alligator to the Tota of Meydagoda Dewale, & to the Dewale, came to that Dewale on Monday the 25th—This he learnt from Weyka Vid.Aratchy—

Do.—Ola without Date—given to me by S. Dias Modr.—All the Riches of the beheaded Disawes & Adikars, having been collected, as for the Aramudala, having been placed in Brass Jars are in the Tank now repairing—They are making the Weywa, so that the Riches hid from near the Walawuwa of Udagampahe may be covered—From the lower part of the Weywa 8 Cannon are pointed towards the Palace—About 8 Days ago 2 Messengers from Katuburule & Seytapena ge carried a Letter wrapped in White to the Adikar Disawe of Sabaragomuwa—In the same manner a Letter was sent to Unambuwe Adikar, Disawe of Pahala dolos P. 7 K.—& to Pusweylle Disawe of Ihala dolos P. 7 K.—& to the Disawes of 3 & 4 Korles—Now in 3 K. & 4 K. the Measuring of Rice is finished—& the Disawe of 3 K. proceeded on Wednesday at 5 Hours before Night to Hatagoda from Ruwanweylle—Thus has written Philippu, the Brother of Vitanege Aberan, who resides at Waduramulle—These are Things which he saw without doubt, when he carried an Ola to Kandy from the Disawe—

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Sund: 1st.—Appuwa & Appu, 2 Persons belonging to the Gabadawa attend & deliver the voluminous Ola No. 74. & inform, that it was delivered to them at the Wahala, on Wednesday Night last, at about 3 Hours before Day light of (Thursday) by Gajanayaka Millawa Nilame, Mullegama Disawe of Walapane, Pusweylle Maha Gabada Nilame, younger Brother of the Disawe of Ihala dolos P., Palipana (Son of Udalalata Disawe) Uda Gabada Nilame, & Palipana Disawe of Udalalata—They directed him to proceed immediately & deliver it to the Disawe of Colombo & await Orders from thence—They deliver also an Ola No. 75 which they recd. at the same time from the same Persons. They were instructed to deliver it to the Disawe of 3 Korles—They did so at Ruwanweylle. The Disawe sent it to Colombo with them, by a Man of the 3 K. his own Messenger—The Messenger is at his Lodging, & entrusted them with it to bring here—They do not know whether any Answer will be returned to the Keydapana sent from hence—

.. 4th.—The 2 Gabadawe People again attend—Informed them, that I have no Answer to send immediately to the Ola they brought, & it is unnecessary to detain them longer. Instructed them to present my best Compts. to all the Chiefs, who presented to them the Ola—& gave to them for Samakkattu, 1 Tuppoti & 2 Handkerchiefs each—

Decr. 5th.—Dispatched the Malay Mohm. Assana Capitar on Secret Service to Batecalao; with Passport, & gave him besides RD. 200 for himself, RD 120 for the following 8 Persons his Followers, Palas, Lewa, Pyche Kandu, Se Mira, Mannan, Rachadien, Tale, Havildaru—Gave him Verbal Instructions to the following effect:

Upon your Arrival at Batecalao, you will make yourself acquainted, in the most secret manner possible with the State of the Kandyan Country on that Side, the Paths to Dumbara, & ascertain, if possible, by a confidential Messenger, the Village where the Englishman is actually residing—Having ascertained these Points, you will inform

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me as soon as possible, by Ola with the Situation of Affairs, & whether there is an Opportunity & a Means of accomplishing the Object in view. Upon this, Instructions will be sent to Batecalao, & in case it be thought proper that you should proceed on the proposed Expedition, the Malays now Stationed at Batecalao are the Men, who will be furnished to accompany you. You are therefore recommended, on your Arrival at Batecalao to make Acquaintance with these Malays, & fix in your Mind upon such as appear suited to your Purpose; but for the present, without making known to them the real Object. If you should proceed on the Expedition you will be careful to pass through the Kandyan Country, not as tho' you were making War, either on going or returning—You must not permit your Followers to burn Houses, kill Men, plunder Property or commit any kind of Violence—In case you accomplish the Object, a full Recompence shall be made by us. Yourself shall receive the most ample Rewards, & a bountiful Provision for Life, & you are authorised to promise ample Rewards to your Followers—

Decr. 6th.—Ukkurale attends with his Acquaintance, a Brahman of Colombo, & brings a Letter from Major Davie dated Gomegode 5. April 1811, a Draft in favour of Lala for 600 Bombay Rupees—He informs, That the English Gentleman has been residing at Migon Arambe close to Malwatte Wihara in Kandy for the last 2 Months—Prior to this, he was living at Napane in Dumbara. He dreamt one Night, that the Palace of Kandy would be burnt & sent to inform the King—The next Night, the Seytapena Ge was burnt & the English Gentleman was sent for to Kandy, & has been living there since—He delivered to him this Letter about 30 Days ago, which he was prevented by Sickness from bringing sooner—He was very sick, but is now sufficiently recovered to walk about. His Brother brought for him a Bottle of Arrack from Negombo above a Month ago, by the use of which he recovered his Health—Himself did not attend the Gentleman in Dumbara—but since he arrived in Kandy himself, his elder Brother Pulingurale & Edurapote Appu, of Dumbara—

Decr. 10th.—Ukkurale again attends & states, That
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 Wewelpala in Ihala dolos Pattu of 7 K. It is a
 Gabada Gama—Himself was brought up from his
 Youth in the Family of the late Erawuwala Adikar
 & after his Execution continued resident in Kandy
 —He resides there still & only goes to his Village,
 about once in a Month to bring his Rajakariya—
 He is well acquainted with Lala; Lala resides in
 his House in Kandy, & keeps a Boutique there for
 Medicines & Drugs—

Delivered to him a Letter ()
 for Major Davie, also Chocolate, Biscuits, & 5 Str.
 Pags. to be delivered to him—Gave him 5 Str.
 Pags. as a Reward for himself, & promised him a
 Reward of 10 Str. Pags. if he brings an Answer in
 15 Days—

Decr. 12th.—Punchyrale attends & informs, That the
 Son of the Ja Mohm.'s elder Sister, (who was
 married to a Moorman of Maralande arrived 2 Days
 ago sent by the 2 Mohottales Brothers of the
 Widow of the late Adikar Pilima Talawuwe, for
 the purpose of enquiring, whether an English
 Army was shortly to be expected. Otherwise it
 was their Intention to come across the Limits—
 They are in apprehension of the Loss of their
 Handurukam (Honour of Family) by their Widow
 Sister being given in Marriage to Pusweylle Nilame
 who is at present married to a Woman of Patti
 Family—This Man related, that Pusweylle Nilame
 went to Kandy about 3 days before he left Mara-
 lande—Also that the King was gone to Meyda
 Maha Nuwara in Dumbara—& that prior to his
 going the English Major had been brought to
 Kandy, & is now residing near Kumarupe Kada-
 wata, where the Malabar Princes reside, & which
 the Singaleze are forbidden to approach.

.. 14th.—Recd. Ola from Ja Mohm., informing, that
 he reached Matura on Wednesday 11th.—& leave
 Matura on the 12th.—He recd. the Ola from me at
 Galle. Because it was written, that they must not
 carry 1 or 2 of the Weapons they brought, they
 are proceeding, having deposited their Weapons at
 Galle—

Decr. 20th.—Letter from Tamby Modr. Colombo, Informing, That he has recd. vague Intelligence, that a great Number of Malabar Men with Arms have been hastily sent from Kandy to the Disawe of Demala Pattu—that more are preparing to be sent, & that they are designed to disturb Chilaw & Putelam—

21st.—Arambepole Mohm. (Vide) of Morugama, attends & informs, That he is come hastily in consequence of Reports in the 7 K., that Coolies were assembling to carry Baggage, & every Thing in Agitation preparatory to the Marching of a Detachment to Kandy—& he came by desire of the Mohottales, with the Intention of accompanying it, but since passing the Limits he has seen no such Symptoms of Preparation—They all request our Assistance, as before, agt. the Oppressions of the King, & are still in fear of his Revenge for the former Revolt.* They are sure, that it is not forgotten, but is laid to sleep, whilst there is Apprehension of War. Kehelwatte Hene Vidan, whose Property was pillaged at that time by the Revolters, for refusing to join them, came not long ago to Unambuwe Nilame to complain of that Outrage—The Adikar replied, 'Rest quiet for the present. That Affair will be properly investigated by the Great Gate'—A great Number of People are gone to Kandy from the 7 K. to work at the Dam. Only from the Sara maru Villages i.e. the Gabada & Dewale, but not from the Korle, because the Disawe is present—Pilama Talawuwe Bandara is in Confinement at Hangwelle in Dumbara—A Species of Kuruminiyo as large as a seed of Kollu (Coast Gram) has appeared in some Villages in the 7 K.—They enter the Ear at Night, breed young ones, & dig in the Head—The sufferer dies with Pain & Distraction—Some have been cured by Medicine poured in—Others by going to the Dewales—It does not extend to within a League of the Maha Oye—Pusweylle Disawe of the Ihala dolos P. is gone to Kandy about 12 Days ago—

The Prices given this Year for Offices in the Pahala Dolos P. 7 K. is as follows:

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Rate Lekam—Nawinne Mohottale	—3500 Ridi
Attapattu Lekam—Hurukgomuwe Mohottale	—2500 Do
Kodituwakku Lekam	—2000 „
Walawuwe Lekam	—1500 „

22d.—Arambepole Mohm. again attends—& states, There was also instructed by the Mohottales to ask, Whether, in the Event of no Detachment marching from hence, if they should take Refuge in this Country, they should receive any Allowance for their Support—

Informed him, that their Persons & Property should be secure, but it was impossible for me to promise them an Allowance from Govt.—Dismissed him with saying, That I am much gratified with the continued good Disposition of the Mohottales towards us, but at present it is impossible for me to give a more explicit Answer to their Application, than last time. I shall be happy to see him, when he comes to Colombo again—

Letter from Chandos Modr. of Negombo, informing, That the Ja Mohm's Horse, which was in the Garden of Sinnewan Vidan, is missing since the Night of the 18th.—

Decr. 23d.—Wattala Appu attends with 2 Messengers from Unambuwe Nilame—He informs, That he proceeded with his younger Brother to the Residence of the 2d. Adikar, & after remaining one Day, to Pusweylle Disawe at Weywuda—He presented to him Salt Fish & Sugar; & sold to him 5 fine Katchies. Pusweylle enquired after the Disawe's, told him that he must go to Kandy, & bid him wait at Pusweylle Walawuwe, till recd. a Message. Pusweylle went to Kandy early next Morning, & 3 Days after, himself recd. an Order & was conducted by 2 Messengers of the Gabadawa to Kandy—& placed him in the House of Arukgammana Vidan—In the night at about 1 o'clock, he was called to the Palace, & stood just within the Wahalkada (Gateway), where Pusweylle came & questioned him, & after every Answer, went in & reported to the King—He first enquired the Affairs of Colombo. Whether it was true, that Ships had come & a Multitude landed, that a new Govr. had arrived: Whether there were many

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English Gentlemen; & Caffres—whether Soldiers had not been sent to Trincomale—He enquired, whether it was true, that the English were about to come & make War agt. Kandy, & instructed him to tell the Disawe of Colombo to prevent it, & asked whether he thought he had the Power. He observed, that no Foreign Power had ever conquered the Kandyan Country, & made it prosper (දිවුනු කලා) & that it was impossible—He mentioned the Names of 3 or 4 Kings, in whose time European Chiefs had been taken Prisoners & restored upon sending Embassies—He enquired, whether the Disawe had written the Keydapana which was sent to Kandy, a Month or 2 ago, & observed, That one Part of it was good, another Part violent. Again one Thing good, the next violent. That there appeared in it, that an Ambassador would be sent with a Multitude of People & 12 Years Arrears of Presents, & asked, what was the Meaning of that—He added, that if an Ola was sent in a proper manner, the Desire of the Disawe should be accomplished. That the Disawe had obtained Favour from the King—

He forgets many other Things. He was ordered to wait at Yatiyawala Pansala till he recd. a Message—He waited 6 Days, & then was summoned in the Evening & attended at Pusweylle Walawuwe—

Pusweylle Disawe directed him to present his best Compts. to the Disawe of Colombo, to state, That the utmost Age to which he would attain, is 100 or 120 Years—That it was written in the Olas, which had been sent long ago, that I should be glad to meet & hold Conference with him. That if the same Proposal were now made, it would be assented to. That if a good Ola were sent within a few Days, the Desire of the Disawe would be accomplished—He had heard at the Palace, what was the King's Pleasure, & * මහමල්ලන් සෙදිව්වෙසෙස් කමදවන් වරදිනෙන් තැන—Pusweylle Disawe said, that he should remain in Kandy 10 Days, & if no Ola was brought, he should return to the 7 K. on the 12th. Day—He took his Leave, & then returned to the Residence of the 2d. Adikar at Watukana, who has sent 2 Messengers to

* Nothing that falls from the Great Gate ever fails.

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accompany him—The 2d. Adikar—instructed him to desire his best Compts. to the Disawe of Colombo, to state, That he would accomplish any Thing he desired, & was inclined to any Side he pleased. That he had written 3 times to Kandy on the Subject of meeting & holding Conference with the Disawe, but had recd. no Answer & therefore had delayed sending an Answer to my last Letter—

Pusweylle Disawe went to Kandy with 1500 Men for the Work of the Dam, which when completed, will entirely surround Kandy—The People of 7 K. are very much disaffected. Both at the Wadiya of Pusweylle Disawe at Weywuda & at that of Unambuwe Adikar at Watukana—the Mohottales spoke loudly—If the English are coming, pray tell them to come speedily—There are about 50 of the Alutpanne & 25 others, drilling with Unambuwe Nilame.

The 2 Messengers from Unambuwe Nilame, Hunale Vidan &

That they are come from Unambuwe 2d. Adikar to desire his best Compts. to the Disawe, to enquire after his Health & say, That on the Subject of the last Letter viz: Meeting & holding a Conference with him, he had written 3 times to Kandy, but had recd. no Answer, & therefore had delayed sending an Answer to my last Letter—

Instructed them to assure the 2d. Adikar of my high Regard, That I am much gratified with his Message & shall be happy to see him, if Opportunity offers—

Decr. 24th.—Letter from Chandos Modr. informing, That the Horse was seen carrying away by several People at Kaburugoda Weykande on the Morning of Thursday last (19th.)—

Letter from Do—Informing, that he has learnt from Jayawirage Gabriel Nayde, who has been to Kandy for Trade & is returned, That on the 19th. a Mohottale & 2 Korales having come to the Villages of Digalla, Walpalamulle & Bogoda to send a Number of People to the Adikar at Watukana, they said, That 2 of each Family were already on Duty there, & that no more could go—Upon which, whilst they had laid on the Ground

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& were punching (අනුමන) 2 Men, the Multitude of these 3 Villages assembled, beat & broke the Heads of the Korales, & bound them, beat & drove away the 12 Lascs.—& all the Inhabits. of these 3 Villages having agreed to abandon their Villages, are removing all their Property by the Road made in the Govt. Territory, to the Hither Yagam Pattu—They surrounded & were breaking into the House, where the Mohottale was, but he by some Means made his Escape—

28th.—Hurukgomuwa Unnause attends & informs, That he has lately been to Watukana the Residence of the 2d. Adikar & left it on Wednesday last—There are now assembled there altogether 700 Men. He saw the Lekam Miti—Of these 400 are Alutpaune, & exercise daily with Musquets Morning & Evening, under the Direction of 4 Mohottales. They have white Trowsers, Black Caps, & some of them red Jackets in imitation of the Sepoy Uniform—The other 300 are required to shew their Arms occasionally, but do not exercise. There are no other warlike Preparations—All the Inhabitants of the Gabada, Wihara & Dewala Gan, are bound & carried away by force to Kandy—The Inhabts. of some Villages have made Resistance—They are sent away ostensibly, to make the Dam, & are employed at that Work, but People supposed it is the King's real Object to have a large Force in Kandy, to provide agt. the Attack, which is expected from the English. It is every where reported, that an Eytgala is making—Also that Rest houses have been built, & the Roads cleared—& that the Detachments will march from every Quarter 3 Days after eating the *New. That the Malay Mohm. is gone to Hambantotte, for the purpose of making an Attack on that side—

There is not, even amongst the Singaleze a more fearful Man, than the 2d. Adikar—The People of the Country are much distressed by the Failure of their Crops on account of the Drought, & by the Fines exacted, & the Adukku Peyhidun, which they are forced to contribute to the 2d. Adikar—He requests, in case the Detachment should move into the 7 K., that his Temple Raja

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Maha Wihara, at Hurukgommuwa, & the Property of his G. Father Hurukgommuwa Mohottale (now Atapattu Lekam) may not be injured—This Temple & the Mohottale's House & Granaries of Paddy & Salt were all burnt in the last War—The Day before he left Watukana, a large White Horse was brought there, said to come from Chilaw, a Penum (Present) from a Man, (as he understood) of Gomagomuwa, on soliciting an Office—

29th.—Letter from Negombo Chandos Modr.—Informing, what he has learnt from Muniwarage Juan Nayde, who is come with Rice from the 7 K., That on Wednesday 25th. he met 7 Men at the Village Henduwawa who had passed at Ketewatte Mankada, leading a very strong White Horse, 3 Cubits high, 4 Country Horses, 2 Pistols, 2 Pingos of Cloths, 4 Heyli (Jars) of Salt Fish, to the Disawe of 7 K., who said they were taking the Horse from Colombo to the Disawe of the 7 K.—That the People were from the side of Wattala or Mabola—he should know them, if he saw them, but cannot tell their Names—According to the Description, it is not the Ja Mohm.'s Horse—Also that near the Disawe of 7 K. are about 1000 Men, but only 150 drill with Guns—Also because a great Number of People are seized, & sent to Kandy to work at the Tank, very many Persons in the 7 K. left their Villages, & are living in Concealment—

29th.—Dispatched 2 Appuhs., Wanygesuryge Mudiyangelage Don Andries Appuhy. & Eyllage Don Alexander Appuhy., both of Mulhiriya, with a Letter from myself to Eyheylepola Ist. Adikar (No. 76)—Gave them RD. 20 for Expences of Journey—

Decr. 30th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Decr. 29th.—Informing; that he has learnt from Spies. That the Disawe of Pahala dolos P. 7 K. is still residing in the Village Watukana, where he resided before; & to the People written as Alutpanne having delivered Guns, & distributed Gunpowder, & stationed them on Guard around the Tanayama, causes them to be drilled once in 2 or 3 Days—& sends the People to the Work of the Dam of the Tank, but there is no Daily Drilling—The

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Disawe of Ihala Dolos P., after residing at Mawatagama, having gone to Kandy, is now residing at the Village Ambateynne, & collecting & sending People for the Work of the Dam of the Tank, but there is not any Drilling or novel Transaction—The Disawe of 4 K. residing at Manikkawa, is collecting People at the rate of 2 & 3 from each Family, sending them forcibly to the Work of the Dam, & tears down & breaks the Roofs of the Houses of some Men, who absconded. But there is no Drilling, or novel Order—

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- Jany. 1st.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & informs, That a Moorman from Kandy is arrived, the Brother of the Man, who now instructs the Malay Mohm.'s Children—& has acquainted the Ja Mohm.'s Wife, that there is a Report in Kandy, that the Mohm. is gone after the English Gentleman, & he has been brought to Kandy—She desired him to acquaint me—
- „ 3rd.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Dated Jany. 1st.—Informing in Answer to my Enquiries, That he immediately sent & made Enquiry from all the People, living near the Roads & Mankada, & learnt from them for certain, that no Horse had been taken through that Korle. That in consequence of my former Ola he gave proper Order, & in the manner in which Care is taken, he is certain that an Article of that kind cannot be carried to Kandy—But the white Horse, which was said to have been carried, was kept for 4 or 5 Days in the Premises of Sinnawan Vidan at Negombo, was taken away by Night through Alutkur K., across Kodunnawe Mankada to the Village Meytikotuwa in Pitigal K., kept in the Jungle by Day, & by Night through the Villages Dummala Deniya, Sendriyamulle, Irabodagama, Kahatawila, across *the Road into the Kandyan Country. After which Dodanpawala Korale & 4 or 5 Men taking it openly by Day, were met in the Village Udu-gama, by Durawe Punchy Nayde, of Maningomuwa—& that the Horse was carried in that manner to the Adikar, he has learnt from several People—

* * Compass pára.*

Jany. 6th. 1812. The Ola is addressed to the Disawe of Colombo, as follows:

The Matter of the Conversation which I had with you, there is a Means of accomplishing. For it if you send without fail by the Hands of Pannala Hamuduruwo 2 good Silk Cloths worth 20 or 30 Pags. & 200 Mal Waragan (Star Pags.), the Affair which you mentioned, can accomplish within a Month—Thus wrote & sent Koskandawala Sumana Terunnanse—

Signed at the Head of the Ola ('Sumana')—

Jany. 7th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Jany. 4th.—Informing, That he has learnt from a Spy, that Molligoda Disawe of 4 Korles, came on Wednesday the 1st. from Attapitiya to Idd'hamalpana Tanayama, & on Friday the 3d. went to the Village Galigomuwa—The Disawany of the 3 K. which was upon the younger Molligoda, being obtained by Walapana Disawe, he came on Wednesday the 1st. to Idd'hamalpana Tanayama—& the dismissed Disawe of 3 Korles, has set off for Kandy—

Jany. 8th.—Pannala Unnanse again attends—Dispatched him with a Letter dated this Day, to be delivered to Major Davie, with 10 Gold Mohurs & a Packet of Medecines from Dr. Anderson, contg. 2 Boxes of Pills, & Cream of Tartar, with Directions—

Delivered to him also 200 Str. Pags. & RD. 100 the Value of a Yellow Silk Cloth (which he brings to me) to be transmitted to Koskandawala Unnanse—on secret Service—

9th.—Wattala Appu attends—A Messenger having arrived from the 2d. Adikar Unambuwe Nilame in the 7 K. requesting his Attendance, directed him to proceed thither & desire my best Compts.—He hears, that the King has been down to Polatu Siyambalawa, at Weywuda, & ordered a Battery to be built there—

9th.—Recd. a Letter from S. Sawers, Batecalao, through the Magam P. dated 29th. Decr.—Informing the Arrival of the Malay Mohm. a few days before: & in answer to my Letter of That the Headman of the Vedas, near the Limits

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says, a Letter was carried to the Kandyan Country 3 Months ago by Chinna Pulle, a Moorman of Korle P.—& 2 Moormen Poker & Culingo say they saw 2 Kandyan Head Men take down a Letter from a Tree, which they carried to the Disawe of Tamankada, & he dispatched it to Kandy—He detains the 2 Moormen in Custody—

„ Recd. also an Ola from the Malay Mohm. as follows:

‘To the Disawe of Colombo—We are now at Matakalapuwa—There is no News of the Affair of the Gentleman. Therefore must know in what manner receive Order now. I think, that I can. Therefore must receive the Men I (am to) receive. Must receive Order without Delay—This Writing sent Asana Cappitan’—

„ 10th.—Sinna Mira Mihidien

attends, & brings a Packet—contg. several Letters written by Major Davie, to the Dutch Artillery Man Thoen in Kandy, a Letter to Govr. Maitland, a Draft on Do—for 600 RDs. A Note to his Father—& a Letter from John Egbertus Thoen to the Govr.—requesting 50 Pags. to pay his Debts—

The Moorman relates, That he has been resident a long time in Kandy trading—He left it about 2 Months & has since been residing at Ruwanweylle, where he has a Tavellam—The Papers which he has now brought he saw in possession of Lala about 5 Months ago; they had no means of dispatching it sooner. He recd. it from Lala just before he left Kandy, & coming away with a Vidan of the 3 K. he was not searched—

Lala is indebted to him for many Articles he has supplied, & told him to receive in Payment the 600 RDs. appearing in the Draft—The Draft will be in the Name of a Chitty (Narayana Poelle Cornicopoly of the Store of Provisions from Trincomale) who has made his Escape to the English Territory. There will also be Mention of 50 Pags. in it—& he requests to know, whether he shall receive either of the Sums mentioned. He has no Design of going to Kandy again very speedily—Because he is afraid that an Ola which he sent some time ago from Kandy to the Head

Jany. 10th. 1812. Moorman of Colombo, giving Information of 2 Spies then at Colombo which Ola was never delivered, may have been discovered—He is going however to Ruwanweylle, to bring his Areka, & other Things. For it is every where reported, that the English Detachments are about to March & make War agt. Kandy—

10th.—Tamby Modr. informs, That the Messenger dispatched with the Letter to Major Davie (Vide Novr. 13th.) has twice returned to Chilaw, & related, that in consequence of the strict Guard now kept, he has been unable to deliver the Letter—He is however gone again to try—It is every where reported in the Kandyan Country, that the Malay Mohm. is gone after the English Gentleman—Other Reports say, that he has been made Prisoner in the Saffragam Korle. It is also every where reported, that English Detachments are about to March immediately, & the King has been down to Polatu Siyambalawa—

Jany. 13th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Dated Jany. 12th.—Informing, that upon the Receipt of my Letter he immediately sent a Person to Watukana, to make Enquiry, who has reported, That the 2d. Adikar set off to go to Kandy on Sunday the 7th., & carried with him the Horse which he before brought from Kandy, & the White Horse lately taken from hence; but no other Horse—Besides on enquiring from Kandyan People, & 2 or 3 of our Merchants, who saw Dodanpawala Korale & 4 or 5 Men openly carrying the Horse away in Kandy, the Marks of that Horse, he learnt, that it was white Colour, a Mark of burning on the outside of the Leg, 2 burnt Streaks on the Neck & beginning of the Throat, tall, large, Tail long, & body lean; he cannot learn rightly, what Persons from this Country accompanied the Horse. He cannot *learnt that before this, any other Horse was taken—

13th.—Awusadahamy, of Saffragam K.—attends with Letter on China Paper from Warigama Atapattu Nilame, (in which he requests me to write at length the Method of gilding Kawalan Images of Budd'ha of Wood & Clay, so that the Gold may

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not come off) & informs, That he is instructed to deliver this Letter with Warigama Nilame's best Respects—& to state, that if I would send an Ola informing what I wished, with regard to the Saffragam K., he would send an Answer. That at present there was nothing whatsoever new, nor Preparations for War in Kandy; but only the Work of the Dam, by which the People are much harassed, & praying for the Arrival of the English—Eylapata Nilame also desired his best Compts. & requested an Answer, whether we wished to have possession of Saffragam—The People of Saffragam and the Adikar will not believe, that Batavia has been taken by the English, & they regard the Govt. Proclamation* announcing it, is a Deception—They have Intelligence that the English went & demanded 7000 Jawas to make War agt. Kandy, & when it was refused, that they made War on Batavia, were defeated & returned with a loss of 7000 Men. That the English had been successful in an Attack on one Country, & brought away 200 or 300 Men—but they had been defeated in an Attack on Ollandawa, & lost a great Number of Men, & they were on the point of abandoning Colombo. Sannasses frequently come down from the King announcing, that the French were very near—The People say, 'If they have taken Batavia, 'Where is the Rice, Where are the Jawas?'—There is at present no Drilling at Saffragam, but the People were not long ago called, & their Guns inspected, probably preparatory to the Reception of the Appuhs., who have proceeded from Colombo with the Keydapans.—These 2 Appuhamies are still waiting at the Village Hakamuwa about 1½ Qr. League from Batugedere, till an Order arrives from Kandy with Permission for the Adikar to receive it—The Road has been cleared from that Village to the Rest house—The Adikar has lately published an Order, forbidding People to drink Arrack, & to expose Infants in the Forest—This latter Practice is very common, particularly with Female Infants, after 3 or 4

* Letter of November 23, 1811, from the Deputy Secretary to Government addressed to the Collectors forwards this Proclamation, "which contains the account of the splendid success of the British troops at Java and the capture of Batavia, the last possession of our enemies in the Indian seas."

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Children are born, or in case the Child is born under an unlucky Neykata, or the Parents poor—& sometimes the Parents themselves put them to death, by crushing them with a Stone or drowning—At Kendangomuwa there are Families of Paduwa Hewayas, whose Duty it is to reside at Colombo 15 Days at a time, & report all the Intelligence. He knows two of these, Kalu, Baya & Gonaduwa—They usually reside at Orta Seda—and the People of the 4 K. are constantly on the same Duty—

14th.—Awusadahamy again attends—Dismissed him with my best Compts. to the Nilames—and instructed him to inform Warigama Nilame, that I would enquire, & if possible write what he requested, the next time the Messenger arrived, but I could not immediately—

14th.—A. Hunna, of Hunupitiya attends & informs, That he accompanied Wattala Appu as far as Andarapane, where he met Andarapane Mohm. just returned from Kandy—who related, that the English Gentleman who resided in Dumbara, has been brought to Kandy on Account of Sickness, for Medical Advice. He has almost lost his Eyesight, & has bad Swelling in his Leg—
Wattala Appu sent him to give Information of this—

20.—Godamunna Unnanse attends with a Kandyan, who states, That he is of Weywuda, belonging to the King's Murapala—He obtained Intelligence, that People had been sent from Kandy to kill Godamunne Unnanse & other People towards Trincomale to kill the Malay Mohm.—Therefore he came to give Information to his Friend Godamunne, who served with him formerly in the Murapala—About 10 Days ago the English Gentleman was brought from Dumbara to Kandy—& had a long Audience of the King, & was detained in the Palace—No one knows the Cause or Object of it—

Jan'y. 22d.—Tamby Modr. attends & states—He has recd. Intelligence that Major Davie was brought to Kandy less than 20 Days ago, & had a long Conference at the Palace with Katchi Dewiyo—whilst the King was sitting near—No one knows

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the Subject of it—It is said, that Major Davie is still detained in the Palace—

He is going to Chilaw to-day, & will write to me any Intelligence he receives—

.. 23d. Letter from Negombo Chandos Modr. Date Jany. 21st.—Informing, that according to my Directions he has made Enquiry, but cannot find any other Person, who met the white Horse beyond Ketewatte Mankada, except Munawarage Juan Nayde. But he says, he can bring, if required 2 of the Kandyans who were with him at the time—& that he should know the Men who carried it, if he saw them, but does not know their Name, nor their Village—& that about 2 Heytakma before he saw the Horse, he met 7 Men of Wattala—Moreover there is News, that Dodanpawala Korale, & the Disawe of the Pahala Dolos Pattu, who resided at Watukana are gone to Kandy, that the Horse carried from Negombo has not been accepted, that the other White Horse has been presented—& That the Korale is in Disgrace—He will write again, as soon as he receives more Information—

.. 24.—The 2d. Maha Modr. attends & informs, That a Person of the 3 Korles is come to him with a Message from Mattamagoda, who about 15 Days ago arrived at Ruwanweylle, as Disawe of the 3 Korles—to desire his Compts., & say, that he must have his Assistance, & also to remind him, that there was Relationship between them—(N.B. The Maha Modr. states this Relationship, if any, to arise through his Mother's Father's Father Ratnapura, of Saffragam, who performed great Services for the Dutch, was made Disawe of Matura, & annexed to it a Part of the Saffragam K.—

Directed the 2d. Maha Modr. to instruct the Men to acquaint the Disawe, that if he has any Message to sent to Colombo, he should address himself to me—

.. 25th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Dated 24th.—Informing, what he has learnt from Kuppa Tamby of Nakalagomuwa, who went to Ruwanweylle on the 18th. & returned to Hangwelle on the 23d.—& went again to the 3 Korles—viz: That Mattamagoda, who has obtained the 3 Korles, is residing in

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a Tanayama, near the Ruppe about $\frac{1}{2}$ an English Mile beyond Ruwanweylle Totapala—He has given Order to bring Guns for his Inspection—& on the 21st. upon counting them there were 477 Guns—& Order is sent to many other Villages to bring Guns. Round the Tanayama 50 Men with Guns are on Guard—& 4 Vidans are appointed daily to enquire, whether proper Guard is kept at Night. 6 Men are on Duty at the Kadawata near the Totapala—4 Men in 2 Angula (Katapinell) 2 Men near the Ferry in Palangomuwe Watte—2 in the Road at this end of the same Garden—2 near Yalagama Bridge—6 at Degantuduwe Kadawata, 6 at Hitawaka Kadawata on the other side of the River. These Guards are stationed—& 4 Mohottales, by turns, 1 each Day, are sent to the Stations to look after the Guards—The Disawe has been twice to Hakurugala, & having ordered a Pansala to be built there, upwards of 30 Men are daily working there—Having sent People 3 times to Kandy, he has caused to be brought 45 Tada (2 Men's Load) of Gunpowder—which is in Mattamagoda Gini-gama Waluwuwe—

28th.—Wrote Letter to Mr. Sawers Baticolao enclosing an Ola in Singaleze to be delivered to the Malay Mohm. to the following Effect:

'The Object of your Journey from hence is now become public every where in the Kandyan Country even as far as Kandy. Besides there is Intelligence, that the Chief has been brought sick to Kandy. Therefore it being absolutely impossible to accomplish it at this time, until a suitable Opportunity occurs, it is good that you make Enquiry concerning the Roads, & return leisurely to Colombo'—

Jany. 30th.—The 2 Appuhamies (Vide Decr. 29th.) who proceeded with a Letter to Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar, return, without an Ola in Answer, & deliver a written Account of their Mission as follows:—

On Wednesday Jany. 1st. at about 8 A.M. they arrived at Sitawaka, & sent Word of their Mission. On Sunday 5th. at about 1 o'clock, the Mohandiram of the Palle Pattu Kuruwiti Korle came to the Limits of Diwurunpitiya, & conducting

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us away, we rested that Night at Keyndangomuwa—On the Morning of Monday the 6th. they left Keyndangomuwa, & halted the same Evening at Dodampe—

On Tuesday the 7th., leaving Dodampe they rested the same Evening at the Village Hakamuwa—very near to Batugedara where Maha Nilame resides—On Saturday the 18th. at about 11 at Night, 2 Mohandirams came & conducted them—& on arriving at Demuwate Kadawata, having stopped a short time, a Mohottale & a Mohandrm. came & conducting them away, on their Arrival at the Katupeyleylla having rested a short time, 2 Korales arrived, & conducting them from thence, they proceeded into the Waluwuwe where Maha Nilame was—& delivered the Letter into his Hand. Upon which Maha Nilame having enquired, Who gave you this Letter?—Don Alexander Appuhy. replied, The Maha Disawe of Colombo delivered to us this Letter, & dispatched us for the purpose of delivering it in the presence of Maha Nilame. 2dly. he enquired, When you left Colombo how was the Health of the Governor? I replied, When we left Colombo the Governor was in good Health without any Annoyance. 3dly. he asked, When you left Colombo, how was the Health of the Maha Disawe of Colombo?—I replied, When we left Colombo, he was in good Health without any Annoyance—Maha Nilame then said, I am much rejoiced at hearing, that the Governor and the Maha Disawe are in good Health'—& said, If there be any Message sent to be delivered in our presence, you are at liberty to state it'—I replied, We were ordered from the Governor of Colombo to enquire, how at this time is the Health of Maha Nilame—& to say that the Govr. desires his Remembrances many times to Maha Nilame—Again I said, We were ordered from the Maha Disawe of Colombo. to enquire after the Health of Maha Nilame, & to say that he many times desired his Remembrances to Maha Nilame—On his asking, whether we were charged with any other Message, I replied that we had no other Message. He then said, Until you receive a 2d. Order, you may go & remain in the Place where you are now residing'—Again on Saturday the 25th. at about 6 in the Evening, 2 Korales coming conducted us in to the Presence of

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Maha Nilame—who told us, At the Confidential friendly Messages which the Governor and the Maha Disawe have sent to be delivered in my Presence, that I have attained to great

You must acquaint the Maha Disawe, in order that he may state it in presence of the Governor. 2dly. He said, You must inform, That I desire my Remembrances many times to the Govr. & to the Maha Disawe—3dly. he said, 'You must state before the Maha Disawe, that within no many Days, an Answer will be sent to the Letter, which has been dispatched addressed to me—Again he said, Since a Number of Days have elapsed since you came, 2 Mohandirams will be sent very early to-morrow morning to conduct you to the Limits—(Signed by the 2 Appuhs.)—

They further relate,
That they understood the Delay before they presented the Letter, & again before they were dismissed, arose from the Circumstance, that the Adikar waited for an Answer from Kandy—My Letter together with an Ola from the Adikar were sent to the King, & the Day an Answer arrived, they had their Audience of Leave. The Night of presenting the Ola, they were accompanied by 2 Mohms. & about 30 other Attendants with Lights but no Tom toms. In front of the Katupeyleylla they passed through 2 Lines of about 300 Singaleze armed with Muskets, without Uniforms. There were *2 Malabars in Uniforms on Guard at the Gate, & 4 or 5 other Malabars & several Korales & Headmen. They were conducted into a small Inner Room, where the 1st. Adikar was reclining on a Chair, & delivered the Letter into his own Hands. He questioned them leisurely, as above related, & did not open the Letter in their Presence—5 Persons only were present viz. Warigama Atapattu & Basnayaka Nilame—Eylapata Kodituwakku Nilame, Eknelligoda Kodituwakku Nilame—The Rate Mohottale & Walandure Nilame Waluwuwe Mohottale. The latter standing behind them,

* Probably members of the Désakára hēwāpanné, vide Disá Lēkam mīṭiya of Sabaragamuwa.

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wrote down every Thing they said, & this occasioned the Delay in the Ceremony—Every 2 or 3 Days, some Person came to their Residence, & enquired after their Health & whether they were supplied with all they wanted—Occasionally Nando Vidan, their Acquaintance came & said, That he was living at the Adikar's Wadiya, & should probably obtain the Areka Rent—They learnt from the common People of the Country, that they are much dissatisfied—on account of the Fines levied, the heavy Supplies of Provisions, which they daily furnish, & the new Orders which the Adikar has issued, forbidding the People to drink or purchase Arrack—to keep Pigs or kill Pigs or Animals of any kind—or even to shoot Animals when damaging their Paddy Fields—The Maha Harvest now reaping is very productive in most parts of the Saffragam K.—

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Saturd. Feby. 1st.—Pannala Unnanse attends—& of the Articles delivered to him on Jany. 8th. returns the Packet of Medicines, 10 Gold Mohurs & 150 Star Pagodas—but not the Letter to Major Davie nor the other 50 Star Pags., nor the Silk Cloth—

He informs,

That having recd. Intelligence, that some Disturbance has taken place regarding the English Gentleman, he went into the 4 Korles, for the purpose of learning the Truth—& at Galigomuwa 4 Days ago, he met the Messenger, whom he had dispatched with the Articles to Koskandawala Unnanse—returning—This Messenger is ignorant of the Plan, but has brought him an Ola from Kosk. Unn. & a Bag containing an Ola also, addressed to me & the Articles, which he now returns—The Ola addressed to himself contained Intelligence to the following Purport:

That about 12 Days before Lonsappu of Manikawa in the 4 K. had been detected between the Mahaweyli Ganga & the Hills bringing a Letter from the English Gentleman to Colombo. That in this Transaction were implicated the Dutchman, who shot the Fiscal at Colombo, & the Brahman

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Lala. In consequence hereof, Lonsappu was imprisoned in the Maha Hira Ge. The Dutchman, & Lala had been sent out of Kandy, no one knows where. The English Gentleman had been brought sick to Kandy, kept there 3 Days, & then sent away, it is not known for certain whither, but it is believed he is now residing at Udawatte Pansala—That he had kept the Silk Cloth, & 50 Pags. for Occasion which might offer, & sent back the rest—The Priest (Koskandawala) is now come to Seylawaw Wihara with Moratota Anunayaka Unnanse (the elder Brother's Son of the late Decd. Nayaka) & is waiting there, till he (Pannala Unnanse) shall come—

The Ola addressed to the Disawe of Colombo from Koskandawala Unnanse is as follows:

'Because the Object for which I laboured, has now turned out differently, whilst I was repining exceedingly, when I made known this Affair to our 2d. Anunayaka Hamuduruwo, he said, 'I am able to accomplish this matter.' When I enquired, what it was proper for us to do for that purpose? he said, If the Disawe will send a Letter addressed to me, I am able to accomplish this Matter—Therefore by whatever Means it is good to send without fail a Letter with your Signature addressed to that Nayaka Hamuduruwo—This Matter with Thought & Consideration has written & informed Koskandawala Sumana Terunnanse' At the head of the Ola (signed) 'Sumana'—

Informed Pannala Unnanse, that I am unwilling to send any Letter to the Anunayaka Moratota until I know, what Use he designs to make of it & by what means he proposes to accomplish the Object—Desired him therefore to proceed to Seylawaw Wihara, to converse with Moratota & with Koskandawala Unnanse, to ascertain more fully their Intentions & to return & inform me as soon as possible—

Febry. 6th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Date Febry. 5th.—Informing, that he has learnt from his Spies, That after the Departure of Unambuwe Nilame Adikar to Kandy, he is deprived of the Disawany of the Pahala dolos P. 7 K., & the same having been conferred on Pusweylle Disawe, he arrived at the Tanayama of Mirihanpitiya, & is residing there—The Disawany of Ihala dolos P. has been

Febry. 6th. 1812. conferred on Eyhalepola Bandara Mahatmaya & is residing at Maralande—The aforesaid Unambuwe Nilame has obtained together with the Adikaram Nile the Disawany of Udapalata, & is ordered to remain in Kandy—

Febry. 7th.—Recd. Letter from Mr. Sawers, Batecalao, dated Jany. 26th.—Also an Ola from the Ja Mohm. to the following effect, viz:

‘Now after I arrived at Matakalapuwa, I wrote & sent an Ola to be presented—Therefore I have not learnt an Answer to it. Now having sent Men to the Limits of Wellasse have made Enquiry into all Matters. Upon making Enquiry, the Disawe is at the Village Iwanawatte in the Disawany of Wellasse—At Namal Oye, about 8 Men are on Guard. At Sepola Kadawata 15 are on Guard. Tho’ they be, we are able to go. Therefore the Men & Arms, which I (am to) receive, must receive speedily. If this be delayed, may meet with Rain—With many Obeisances all these Matters wrote & sent Asana Kappittan’—

Mr. Sawers writes, that he has again applied for a Supply of Money—

„ 7th.—Godamunne Unnanse attends & states—He is just returned from Loluwigoda where Dulweywe Unnanse is residing—He there saw Kahawatte Unnanse lately come from Kandy, who related, That Lonsappu of Manikkawa had been detected at Balane, with a Letter from Major Davie in his Way to Colombo—in consequence of which, he together with the Malabar Lala, the Dutchman & the Gamerale of the House where Major D. resided, had been put to Death at Bogambara. Major Davie had also been brought to Kandy, was kept there 15 Days, & it is said, was also put to Death at Talwatte, near Gangarama—

„ 10th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Date Febry. 9th.—Informing that he has learnt from Udukaha P. 2d. Vidan Aratchy, that there is certain Intelligence, that Walandure Mohottale & Maramekande Korle Mahatmaya set off on Sunday the 9th. from the Mahawadiya at Batugedara, to proceed to the Wasala of Colombo, bearing a Letter

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13th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Date Feby. 12th.—Informing that because the Pol. Vidan & Kankan of Awissahawela have informed him, that Word has been sent by a Messenger, That Walandure Mohottalahamy & Ginimale Mohottalahamy, who have come from Batugedara in Sabaragomuwa, bringing a Letter from Sinhale Maha Nuwara, on the 11th. of this Month are waiting near the Kadawata of Geytaheyte—he has caused Wiyan to be hung in a Place for their Residence, upon their Arrival at Hangweylle—& has prepared to furnish them with Provisions—They are not yet come—& there is proper Intelligence that they are waiting till some one goes to conduct them—Before no Person went from this Korle, to conduct Persons who come in that Manner—

Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & states, That a Vidan (his Acquaintance, Inhabt. of a Village in Yatinuwera) but living in the Walawuwe of Kapuwatte Disawe is arrived with Instructions to seek him, & to go to any Place to which he should call him—The Man attends & states, That his Name is Punchyrale, that his Village is Weywuda, but he has lived from his Youth in Kandy—& lives in the Walawuwe of Kapuwatte late Disawe—He came by the 7 K., & is about 25 Days from Kandy. The Disawe instructed him to go to Colombo & find out Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale—& to go to any Place, to which he should call him—& to state, 'That he (Kapuwatte) was now in a State of Disgrace, & in fear for his Life, & had nothing remaining, but his Food & Clothing—Therefore, if there is any Expedition coming * (සහ එක මෙකක් ඇත්නම්) to know, how that Affair was?'

Keypittipola Nilame is also disgraced & his Property carried to the Aramudale—2000 or 3000 Men are still employed in Kandy, raising a Dam, & the Work will never be finished—There are 2 Dutchmen in Kandy & 1 English Gentleman in Dumbera—

* If there is a journey going and coming.

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Directed him to acquaint Kapuwatte Disawe, That I am much gratified at his Message—That I have a great Friendship for him, as I had for the late Pilima Talawuwe—That I can give no specific Answer to his Verbal Communication, but if he will send an Ola, a suitable Answer shall be returned—

Feby. 13th.—Wattala Appu attends (Vide Jany. 9th.) & informs, That he proceeded with the Messenger from the 2d. Adikar Unambuwe Nilame, but when they crossed the Limits, they heard that he was already gone to Kandy—The Messenger went to Watukana, & he proceeded alone to Katugastota. At Andarapane he met with the Brother of Andarapane Mohm. just returned from Kandy, who informed that the English Gentleman had been brought sick to Kandy—From Yatiyawala Pansala, near Katugastota he sent Word to Pusweylle Nilame of his Arrival—and the next Night was summoned to attend him—He stated, That the Disawe of Colombo had desired his best Compts. & would be very happy to meet & converse with him—Pusweylle Nilame enquired the Affairs of Colombo, & whether the English were really coming to make War or not—& bid him wait at Yatiyawala Pansala, to accompany him Pusweylle into the 7 K.—He informed Pusweylle, that he must go to Unambuwe Nilame, who owed him RD. 100. He replied, 'No, you need not go, send another Person to ask for it.' He said, he had no Person to send, & Pusweylle was silent—He remained 3 Days in Kandy at the House of Arukgammana Vidan; & went to Unambuwe Nilame, & desired my best Compts.—He replied, I have lost my Disawany of the 7 K. & am appointed to that of Udapalata. You may assure the Disawe, that for every Thing whatsoever, & at all times, my Friendship will remain unaltered towards him—He recd. only 100 Ridi in part of his Debt, & a Promise that Arukgammana Vidan should bring him the rest—He returned to Yatiyawala Pansala & 6 Days after recd. another Order to attend Pusweylle Nilame, who said many Things, which he forgets—He said, that his Friendship should never be wanting to the Disawe of Colombo; & he would endeavour to accomplish any thing he desired. That formerly his

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Adversaries existed, who thwarted his Endeavours, but now they existed no longer, & any thing he proposed, would be attended to (විවිධකම්) or have effect—He bid him as before to accompany him to the 7 K.—4 Days after, Eyheylepola Kuda Nilame—New Disawe of the Ihala Dolos P. Pusweylle Disawe of the Pahala dolos P. & Unambuwe Nilame Disawe of Matale all left Kandy & passed Katugastota the same Day together—Eyheylepola came first, & conversed with him a long time at the Ferry till the 2 others arrived, & desired him to bring him some Cloths, & to make him acquainted with the Disawe of Colombo—After crossing the River, they ascended their Palanquins—The Palanquin of Eyheylepola went first; Pusweylle 2d. & Unambuwe 3d.

The Disawe of Matale turned off to Matale, & the 2 others proceeded together—Eyheylepola stopped, & is now residing at Mukalanyaya—Himself followed in the Train of Pusweylle, to the Rest house of Itanawatte, & after 4 Days, was called to attend Pusweylle Nilame—who gave him leave to go, told him to bring some Cloths, & instructed him to convey his best Compts. to the Disawe of Colombo, to state, That he would employ his best Endeavours to accomplish his Wishes—That he should be happy to meet & converse with him at the Frontiers; & that he (W. Appu) must return with Ola in a few Days, stating in what manner, at what time, & what Place they should meet at the Frontiers.'—

About 10 Days before his Arrival in Kandy, the English Gentleman had been brought thither from Kandy, in consequence of the Detection of a Letter from him to Colombo in the possession of a Man, Inht. of Kandepola, originally said to be from Saffragam. In consequence of information privately given, this Man was seized & carried before Pusweylle Disawe, then residing in the 7 K. & being searched, the Letter was found in his Cloth behind. Pusweylle Disawe took him to Kandy, where being punished, he discovered 3 other Accomplices, a Gabadawe Mohm., a Moorman & another who escaped—The 3 former were punished with the Wada Bera, & banished to Telapeyhey.

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The English Gentleman was sent for to Kandy— & questioned by the King, near the Dam, 'Whether he had given the Letter. He replied, 'Yes, I did so, because your own People asked for it.' The King observed to the Chiefs, who were around him, 'That every one was naturally anxious for his Deliverance, & that the Fault was not in him, who gave the Letter, but in his own People, who asked for it.' The Chiefs all agreed, & he was acquitted as innocent—He was at that time sick & was lodged in Kora Wahalkada, under the Charge of Physicians. He is still residing there— & it is said, nearly recovered—He heard this Account from a great Number of Persons—& Pusweylle himself informed him, that he was residing in Kandy, & recovered from his Sickness—

In the interval of 6 Days whilst he was residing at Yatiyawala Pansale before being summoned the 2d. time to converse with Pusweylle, the Son of the late Pilima Talawuwe was brought to Kandy, & being asked by the King what he wished for, he replied, That he only wished for Permission to worship Budu in the Maligawa. The King said, I give you Permission, & with it bestow on you the Office of Diyawadana Nilame—

Andarapone Mohm. has been sent with him by Pusweylle Disawe, to deliver a Message—

Andarapane Mohm. attends & informs— That he is instructed by Pusweylle Disawe to come to me, to convey his Compts. many times, to ask after my Health, & to enquire about the Affair of meeting & conversing with him at the Frontiers— He desired him also to acquaint me, that the English Gentleman was now residing at Kora Wahalkada, which is close to Asgiri Wihara, that he had been sick, but recovered by his Care & Attention, & by the Medicines of his Brother, now Maha Gabada Nilame—Unambuwe Nilame & Molligoda, late of 3 K. are said to have been dismissed on account of their Exactions—Unambuwe Adikar is Disawe of Udapalata & Walapana—His Brother, Disawe of Matale—Kobeykkaduwe, Dis of Uwa—

- .. 14th.—Wrote Directions to Hewagam K. Modr.— to send a Mohm. & an Aratchy, to the Limits to conduct to Colombo the 2 Mohottales who are at

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the Limits near Geytaheyttē—to direct them to enquire from the Messengers, & inform me immediately, whether they are bearing a Kedyapana from the King to the Govr.—or a Letter from Pallegampahe to me—Also directing to supply them with every Thing according to Custom—& to inform me, as soon as they reach Hangwelle, & at what hour they will arrive at Colombo—

15th.—Andarapane Mohm. again attends & states—That he had before forgotten to mention one Circumstance—viz: That a Man had been detected in bringing a Letter from the English Gentleman to Colombo—The Man was Ukkurale, originally of Saffragam, afterwards Inhabt. of Pusweylle in 7 K. & who ingratiated himself with Pusweylle Nilame, & was one of the 3 Persons, given to the Gentleman from the Gabadawa, as Servants—& residing with the Gentleman at Badulla, in Uwa—He was detected at Balana Kadawata, coming with a Moor Mohandiram (formerly in the Service of Muttettu Nilame, a Malabar from the Coast, who resided at Weywuda, & after his Decease, in the House of Asgangule Vidan) & with one Punchyrale of Udunuwera—They were conducted before Mat-tamagoda, then Rata Mahatmaya of Yatinuwara—& thence cast into Prison in Kandy—The Gentleman being sick, & also this Affair happening, was brought up to Kandy—He was conducted before the King near the Weykande, & being questioned denied all knowledge of the Writing—& said, That these Persons, in whose Possession it was found, had caused the Letter to be written. Upon examining the Letter it did not appear to have been written by the Gentleman, & he was acquitted. The other 3 Persons were banished to Telpeyhey, in Uwa—The Gentleman was lodged at Kora Wahalkada, & delivered to the care of the King's Physicians, & is nearly recovered—

Instructed him to convey my best Compts. to Pusweylle Disawe to acquaint him, that I am most gratified with his kind Communication—& that I shall be happy to meet him at the Frontiers—That I am going into the Country, before the lapse of many Days, & shall travel into the

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Hapitigam—I request therefore, that he will send an Ola, stating at what time, & Place he will meet me—

17th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Feby. 16th. 1812—Informing, that according to my Order, having dispatched on the 15th. Don Daniel Amarasekere Titir. Mohm. & Don Juannes Wikramatchy Aratchy to conduct Ginimale Mohottale & Walandure Mohottale, who are bringing a Letter, the 2 Mohottales arrived at Hangwelle this Day, Sunday at 4 P.M. They will stay there this night, & proceed forward to-morrow Morning—There are about 30 People with them. Moreover he has Intelligence from other People, that the Letter which they bring, was sealed by the King of Kandy, & sent under Charge of Katukurulle Hewapanne to Pallegampahe Adikaram Ralahamy—

Feby. 17th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Dated Feby. 16th.—Informing, that upon sending an Ola by a Lascorin to the 2d. Vidan Aratchy of Udugaha Pattu on the morning of the 15th. to enquire properly & write, whether the Mohottalahamilla, who are come from Sabaragomuwa, & residing near Geytaheytte Kadawata, bear a Letter from the G. Gate to the Govr., or from Pallegampahe to the Disawe of Colombo. In the Ola which the Vidan Aratchy sent, it appears, that it is an Ola sent by Adikaram Ralahamy to be presented to me—Therefore he sends herewith the Ola written by the 2d. Vidan Aratchy—

The Ola from Udugaha Pattu 2d. Vid. Aratchy same Date informing, that according to Order, he went to the Walandure Mohottale & Ginimole Mohottale, & having enquired from them, whether it was a Keydapan Pattraya which they bring from the Supreme Great Gate, to be presented to the Govr. of Colombo, or an Ola from Eyheylepola Adikaram Ralahamy to the Disawe of Colombo, the Mohottales said, That it is an Ola from Eyheylepola Adikaram Ralahamy, of Saparagomuwa, to be presented to the Maha Disawe of Colombo—

Tuesd: Feby. 18th.—The 2 Kandyan Mohottales, named Walandure Manampedy Mohottale of the Walawuwe & Ginimule Jayawardd'hana Mohottale, both of Saffragam, attend at my House, conducted

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1812. by Padikara Mohm. & Basnayake Mohm.—& attended (of their own Followers) by 1 Aratchy bearing a Lance, 2 Men on each side with Fans (*) fanning them at Intervals, 2 others behind holding large round Talapats (†) as Umbrellas over them, a Liyanaduraya, & 11 other Lascorins & Coolies—Walandure Mohottale on the right hand bearing the Ola, all the Way, uplifted in his right Hand, as high as his Head—Being introduced they make their Obeisance, & Walandure Mohottale delivers to me the Ola (No. 77.) &

The following formal Conference takes Place :

- Q.—When you left the Kandyan Country, how was the Health of the Supreme G. Gate?
- A.—When we left Kandy, the Supreme G. Gate the Chief of happy Lanka, was in good Health, without any Affliction—I am much gratified to hear it—
- Q.—How is the Health of the Principal Chiefs in the Circle of Ministers of the G. Gate Supreme?
- A.—When we left the Kandyan Territory, they were all in good Health—
- Q.—Who delivered to you this Ola, which you have brought?
- A.—‡Pallegampahe Maha Ad'hikaram Mantriswarayanawahanse delivered it to us, to be presented to the Great Disawe of Colombo—
- Q.—How was the Health of §Pallegampahe Maha Ad'hikaram Ralahaminwahanse, when you left Batugedara?
- A.—He was living in good Health without any Indisposition I am much rejoiced at hearing it.
- Q.—If you were instructed to deliver any Verbal Message, you are at liberty to communicate it.
- A.—There will be some Verbal Message—
Then you are at liberty to state it—
- A.—We were instructed to enquire after the Health of H. E. the Govr. of Colombo—

* † Talātu.

† † Awwātu.

‡ The Counsellor the great Adikár of Pallégampahé, i. e., the first Adikár.

§ The great Adikár of Pallégampahé.

Q.—His Excy. the Govr. is at this time in perfect Health—Have you any other Message?

A.—We are instructed to enquire after the Health of the great Disawe of Colombo—

Q.—I am in good Health—& am much gratified that he has made this Enquiry—Have you any other Message?

A.—We were instructed to enquire after the Health of the Maha Modr.

Q.—He is at present residing at Matura—but in good Health—Have you any other Message—

A.—No—At present we have no other Message—

It is well. You may go to the Place of your Residence, and remain there, till you receive a Message—If any thing should be wanting, you will make it known to these Mohands.—Having perused this Ola, I will call you hither again—You may take your Leave—

They both make Obeisance & retire—

N. B.—Besides the 4 Lascs. who bear the round Talapots & Fans, 1 Lascorin carried a Copper Kettle with Water, & another a Samukkalama, or පැති පොත—a coarse Cloth striped with blue, to spread on a Stone or a Timber, when they wish to rest themselves on their journey—

Friday Feby. 21st.—The 2 Kandyan Mohottiyars again, according to Appointment, attend—& I entered into private Conversation with them regarding the Country of Saffragam, Sripade, &c—& shewed them a Singaleze Watch*, denoting the Singaleze Hour with Singaleze Figures—

Walandure Mohottale is the principal Speaker, & replies to my Enquiries, that the Lanjana is the left Foot, which it is easy to discover from the position of the great toe. The foot points to the NW. Quarter, is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ Cts. long, & imprinted about 5 Inches deep—There is a covering to the Lanjana of Gold & Precious Stones, which at the time when the People † වැඩනාමට යනවා is laid on, but at other times of the Year is kept at Pallebadra Pansala. The Sripade

* Vide supra, page 63.

† Go to worship.

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is under the Superintendence of the Nayaka Unnanse of Kandy—Kamburupitiya Unnanse is appointed Nayaka of the Pata Rata, but is residing in the Saffragam K.—In ascending Sripade the Cold is very great, & white Dew hangs on the Trees. There are several Species of Plants & Trees, which are not found in other Countries, & he *voluntary offers to send me Specimens with their Names, upon his Return.

There is also in those adjoining a Species of Animal called Gawara, about the Size of a half grown Buffaloe, & much the same Colour, but with its Horns hanging down. It is very seldom seen, because it studiously avoids Man, & runs away at the very Scent of him. It is said, that a Gawara was once caught & sent to Kandy—It died about a Month afterwards—On informing them that I have a great Wish to visit Sripade, & enquiring, whether they believe, there is a Means of my doing so, they replied, 'It is not in our Power to say any *think definitive, but we think, the Disawe's Wish may be accomplished.

On shewing the Singaleze Watch, Walandure Mohottale takes it in his hand, surveys minutely & with great attention & with great Delight the going of the Minute Hand—& says, It would be a very valuable Article in their Country—I told him, that I had written to a Foreign Country, & caused this Article to be made at a great Expence, for the purpose of presenting to the G. Gate, or to Maha Nilame when Opportunity should Offer. That many other Rich Things had been brought with the same View, but it appeared as tho' there was no Method of coming to an Accommodation—They observe, They believe, all that rests at our pleasure—

Monday Feby. 24th.—The 2 Mohottales again attend by Appointment conducted as before to take their public Audience of Leave—& the following Ceremonious Conversation passes:

Q.—Of the Matters which you were instructed to communicate by Word of Mouth, ඉබ්බා කාසයන් is there anything which you had before forgotten?

A.—No—we communicated that Day all we were directed
 812. to state by Word of Mouth මුඛ අදහසෙන් & there
 is nothing more—

'Then because many Days have elapsed since you
 arrived at Colombo you have leave to depart.
 When you arrive at Batugedara, you will acquaint
 Pallegampaha Maha Ad'hikaram Ralahaminnanse
 that I many times desire my Compts. to him—You
 will acquaint him also, that I desire many Remem-
 brances to the other Principal Chiefs in the Circle
 of great Ministers of the Supr. Great Gate—You
 may take your Leave. The Customary Wechchan
 will be delivered to you.

N. B. The Wechchan delivered to them are as
 follows:

To each of the Mohottales—	to both RD. F.P.
$\frac{1}{2}$ a thin fine Muris Kachchi	1—20 7 0
$\frac{1}{2}$ a Bengal White Kachchi	1— 6 6 0
$\frac{1}{2}$ a Kangan Blue Kachchi	1— 8 5 1
Instead of a Jagalat red Toppiya	
$\frac{1}{2}$ a Ana Kachchi	1— 5 6 0
Cloth to tie the Bundles—	— 0 6 0
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To 1 Aratchy	41 6 1
1 Liyana Duraya	—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ana Kachchies—8 3 0
1 Duraya	
To 9 Lascorins	
3 Ana Kachchies	16 6 0
To 18 Wahumpura & Servants—	
6 Ana Kachchies	33 0 0
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	57 9 0

Feb'y. 25th.—Don Abraham Perera Padikara Mohm.
 attends & reports, That he accompanied the 2
 Mohottales as far as the Bridge at the *Gd. Pass,
 & on his taking leave, they said When you have
 Opportunity of Meeting the Disawe, acquaint him,
 that we desire our best respects, & that we depart
 with Minds exceedingly gratified—

* Grand Pass.

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Frid. March 6th.—The Malay Mohm. Assana Capten arrives from Batecalao, & informs,

That he arrived at Hambantotte in 8 Days, & from thence to Colombo in 8 Days more. He had sent People to the Limits of Wellasse, & had ascertained, that he could penetrate to Dumbara, avoiding the Kadawata, & proceeding by Paths, which since the War have been abandoned by Order—He had recd. no Intelligence of the English Gentleman, & till he recd. my Ola, which recalled him, had not learnt that he had been removed to Kandy—At Hambantotte, he had lodged one Night on his Way, at a House, where he met People from the Kandyan Country, & on his Return, he had reason to believe, that by that means Intelligence had been conveyed of his Journey—He thinks the Secret Object of his Journey must have been published abroad by Walagoda Mohm., the Patabandaya & others who receive Pay, as Guides. For at his first Arrival from Kandy, he had been called to Major Hankey's, Conversation had been held with him on the possibility of rescuing Major Davey; & these People must have known from thence, that he had such an Object in Contemplation—At Yale River he met Tunpanahay Appu, Hiraluwa, & 2 or 3 others, who said, they were come to seek him—& they returned with him. He is ashamed to appear before me again, without having accomplished his Object: but if he obtain leave, he still hopes to accomplish it, & it will be the easier for him, if the Gentleman is in Kandy—

Wednesday March 11th.—Genl. Brownrigg lands at Colombo & assumes the Govt.—

March 12th.—Awusadahamy, of Saffragam K. attends, & brings another Letter on China Paper from Warigama, who is now Atapattu &*

Nilame) which states as follows:

“Addressed to the Great Disawe of Colombo—At this time, we have no Indisposition of Body. It is exceeding good, if (you) write & send (for us) to learn, with this, how is your (†*මෙහි තිබේ*)

* Baenáyaka, vide page 85.

† Literally, of these places.

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Health or Sickness—Besides, I before informed, in order to write, that we want to know the Manner of gilding Images, Gold Kawalan. Because we have not obtained to learn, a suitable Answer to it, we are much grieved—Thus Atapattu Ralahamy——”

He informs, That he is instructed by all 3 Nilames, Warigama, Eknelligoda & Eylapata, That they have at present no News of any kind to communicate—but they are ready to hear & do whatever we desire—The 2 Mohottales, who brought the Ola from Saffragam, upon their Departure from Colombo, went straight to Kandy, & communicated to Unambuwe 2d. Adikar the Reception they had met with, & all that passed—The Adikar, after communicating this to the King, told them, ‘You have recd. much Favor; A Sannas or 2 will shortly be sent to Saffragam, & you must be in readiness to go to Colombo again.’ He met the Mohottales at Kendangomuwa on their Return, about 5 Days ago—Walandure Mohottale obtained the Village of Kendangomuwa, on occasion of this Mission—There are about *18 Malabars, & between 50 & 100 Armed Singaleze on Duty near the Rest house, but no Drilling—The King, it is said, has sent down a Sannas, informing, that the English have captured, only a small Part of Batavia, that they are now surrounded there, & will shortly evacuate it—The late Maha has been a very plentiful Harvest in the Saffragam K. & People bring Rice by Pingos to the Colombo District, & in Pades to Kaltura—There was a Priest, Kirieyllle Unnanse, (Kirieyllle is a Village of Saffragam, near Nambapane) who about 2 or 3 Months ago, threw off his Gown, assumed Sannyasi’s Dress, ascended Sita Gangula to Samantakuta—& visited the Summit of 2 other high Rocks near Sripade, never before ascended, & covered with Jungle, named Deytaniya Gala, & Kura Gala—Rawana Gala is in Uwa—

- „ 13th.—Awusadahamy again attends—Instructed him to convey my Compts. to the 3 Nilames & to assure them of my Satisfaction at their kind Message—& to acquaint Warigama Nilame that it

* Vide page 85, note.

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would be needless for me to write to him the imperfect Method used by the People of this Country—but I would endeavour, before he returned, to obtain the proper & satisfactory Method, which is practised in the Foreign Countries—

13th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Dated, March 11th.—Informing, what he has learnt from Spies, That Pusweylle Disawe of Pahala dolos P. 7 Korles, residing at Itanawatte, having collected Guns, at the rate of 1 from each Family, delivered them to the young Men, has made them reside there & causes them to be drilled, once a Day, or (once) in 2 Days—For the Disawe's Expences, Peyhidum is measured at the rate of 5 Neyli, but nothing else is doing there—

The Disawe of 4 K., residing at Galigomuwa, having caused a Pirit Bana to be preached 8 entire Days, after the Conclusion of that Pinkama, proceeded on Monday the 9th. of this Month to Beligala—

March 15th.—Wattala Appu attends with Arukgammana Vidan—

Arukgammana Vidan informs,

That he is come by order of Pusweylle Disawe, who is now residing at Weydande, at no great Distance from Watukana—5 Leagues, or 1 Day's Journey distant from the Maha Oye, & further from the Limits of Chilaw—to convey his best Compts. to me, & to enquire after my Welfare & Health—because it was some time since he heard from me, & he had before sent Messages for Wattala Appu, who is not yet come—Instructed him to present my best Compts. to Pusweylle Disawe, to state, that I am much gratified with his Message; that in consequence of his former Messages Wattala Appu is now on the point of setting out, & that there will be other Matters, which I shall send by his hands—

Dispatched Wattala Appu with Letter (No. 78.) to be delivered to Pusweylle Nilame with my best Compts. & sent by him, 2 Nanquin Pantaloon, 2 white Jackets—8 Bottles of Madeira Wine—2 Muttis of Sugar Candy & Sugar—Some Tea & some Biscuits—

March 18th—Mudalnayaka Mohottale of Kuruwita & ^{1812.} Mudduwe Vidan attend with an Ola (No. 79.) & a Basket of 12 Species of Plants from the Forests surrounding Sripade—They inform, that they are directed by Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar to deliver these to me with his best Compts., & to await Orders & bring back what they recd.—

NB. The Species sent are, Kuda Heydaya, Maha Heydaya, Kuda Sudana, Maha Sudana, Wada Manchal, Sita Manchal, Wana raja, Ira raja, Eyt hawari, Jata makuta, Kapuru, Nagawalli—

21st.—Koskandawala Unnanse attends—& informs, That he had expended the Money which he recd. the first time in gaining over to his Purpose Coolies to convey the Gentleman away—& the greater Part of the 50 Pags. which he kept the 2d. time—when the Disturbance took Place—It is said, that a Person was detected in bringing a Letter from the Gentleman—in consequence of which, the Dutchman & Lala were sent into different Countries into Confinement, 1 Gamaya was confined, another made his Escape, & the English Gentleman was sent for to Kandy—He at first refused to come, but 50 or 60 People were sent with Arms, & he was brought upon a Messa (Hurdle). He was carried to the Palace & questioned at Night. It is said, 'That he acknowledged, he gave the Letter, That he did so, because he was in such a dubious State, neither released, nor put to Death, & he expected some Benefit from it'.—The King said, he was very culpable, but excused him—It was thought at first, that he had been brought to Kandy for the purpose of killing him—He was lodged one Night at Asgiri Wihara, then sent to Uduwatte Keyle & after about 15 Days, was brought back to Kandy, & lodged in Kumarupe Widiya, where none but Malabars, not even Priests can go—He has learnt, that he is there, from a Priest whose Sister *who is Mistress to one of the Malabar Relations of the Royal Family—The Silk Cloth he has given to the Priest, whom he gained over—He will repay the Money by Degrees, in case he cannot accomplish his Object, of which he does not altogether Despair. He requests a Pencil

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& Paper & thinks, he can find Means of bringing a Letter from the Gentleman—

Delivered to him a Pencil & 2 Sheets of China Paper & dismissed him—

.. 22d.—Enquired into the Affair of Ramasamy, brought from Matura, a Young Man of about 19 or 20, who pretends to be the son of Ast'hana Dewiyo—It is certain that Ast'hana Dewiyo had no Son, & it is probable, that he is the Son of

.. 23d.—Mudalnayake Mohottale, & Mudduwe Vidan again attend—

Delivered to the Mohottale a Letter (No. 80.) for the 1st. Adikar with 2 Pr. of Geese, & my best Compts.—RD. 8 given for their Expences—

.. 23d.—Ola from Tamby Modr.—at Chilaw—sending Ramaraja, & informing, that Tambiya his Guide, & Kanantra Odayar of Mayadanduwatte will be able to afford Information—Also informing that he has Intelligence from a Spy, that Lala has been beheaded, & that the Artillery Soldier Jan is still in Prison—

.. 26th.—After various Enquiries regarding the Kandyan Fugitive Ramasamy, brought from Matura, nothing satisfactory can be learnt regarding his Parentage—But it is certain that Ast'hana Dewiyo, whom he boasted for his Father, has no Male Progeny—& he is probably the Son Legitimate or Spurious, of one of the Numerous Malabar Dependents on the Court of Kandy—

Wrote according to Govr. by Official Letter—

.. 26th.—Left Colombo this Day on Circuit—

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Sund: 5th.—At Mugurugampala Wattala Appu attends with an Ola from Pusweylle Nilame (No. 81—) & informs, that he proceeded to Makulagan Werella, near the Confines of the Wanny, where Pusweylle is now residing, & delivered the Letter with the Articles designed for the English Gentleman—& the Things for the Disawe himself—The Disawe

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enquired, & carefully separated the Things designed for the Gentleman, & the Morning after his Arrival dispatched them to Kandy under Charge of Arukgammama Vidan, with my Letter unopened & an Ola to his Brother Maha Gabada Nilame to acquaint the King & to deliver the Things to Major Davey—The Ola was written by a Liyana Appu, & signed, & the Things dispatched in his Presence—A Pirit Bana was preached at the Temple of Padeniya, 1 Hetakma distant for 8 Days, immediately after which Pusweylle returned to Itanawatte, which is 3 Leagues nearer this way—3 or 4 Days after Arukgammama Vidan arrived with my Letter, & an Ola wrapped in Cloth for Pusweylle—3 Days after Pusweylle delivered to him this Ola, & desired his best Compts. to the Disawe of Colombo—He observed, that it appeared, as tho' the Disawe had no Anxiety about recovering the English Gentleman, for no Letters to that effect had been sent within 2 or 3 Years; that if it was desired to obtain him, a good & proper Letter should be sent, stating, that Things of such Value shall be sent with an Embassy, & that we wish to recover the Gentleman—He instructed him to acquaint me, That he wished much to obtain a good Horse, that 2 had been sent gratis, & he could not ask for another so, but he should be glad to purchase one without Defects at any Price. With respect to meeting & conversing at the Frontiers, he could not do it without Authority from the King; he had written on that behalf, & when an Answer was recd., he would send Arukgammama Vidan, but if he did not come in 10 or 12 Days, he (Wattala Appu) must return with a Letter from Colombo—He learnt from Arukgammama Vidan, that the King caused all the Things to be brought into his Presence, That himself examined every Thing, observed that the Dates were musty, kept the Dates, & Salt Fish & 3 or 4 Bottles of Wine, & sent the rest to the Gentleman, who is residing at the Kora Wahalkada in Kandy, by 3 People of the Gabadawa.—There is no particular News in Kandy. It is said, that a Mohm., an Aratchy & Kankan of the Gabadawa have been impaled, for releasing People who came on Rajakaraya to work, & taking Money from them—Also that 4 other Persons had been put to Death—There

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are no Men drilling with Pusweylle, but he is causing all the People with their Guns to be brought before him, their Guns to be examined, the defective ones to be repaired, keeps some on Duty near him, & sends others to their Villages—He does not oppress the People, levies few Fines, & receives small Peyhidun—

The Gentleman was brought to Kandy the last Journey he went, on acct. of the Apprehension of Letters—A Man called Saparagomuwe Appu, he believes, named Ukkurale, who married at Pusweylle in the 7 Korles, was seized at his Village with 3 Letters, 1 from the English Gentleman, 1 from the Dutchman and 1 in Malabar. 7 Pags. were found on his Person, & some more in his House. It is said, that he had before carried a Letter to Colombo & recd. 20 Pags.—He was bound, on his Way to Kandy, at Weywuda, when himself met Pusweylle there the Journey before this—He was at Yatiya-wala Pansala, when the English Gentleman was brought to Kandy. Saparagomuwe Appu & another, he heard, was punished with the Wada bhera, & Lala & the Dutchman sent Prisoners into different remote Countries—

April 10th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Dated April 7th.—Informing there is Intelligence, That Thunderbolt having struck the Pattrippuwa which was built on the Kande (Dam) of the Tank by the King, it was broken down—Many Bogas have fallen, & in several Uyanwatu (Gardens of the King,) Trees have been destroyed by a Hurricane. Besides a large Bough of the Bogaha near the Temple (Dewale) of Saparagomuwa having fallen, the Wall of the Dewale was broken down—& in Kuruwiti Mukalana a great Number of large Trees have been broken down by a Hurricane—& in the Kandyan Country a Shower of Hail Stones (මදිමම පාත් වැටීමක් වැටිණ) has rained—
There is no other News in Sinhale—

.. 17th.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & informs,

That the Malabar Ramasamy came to him yesterday, & at first requested him to

* Should be මදිමම.

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procure a Passport for him to go to Matura from the Disawe & a Letter to procure the Release of his Servant there—On his replying, that he could not make any such Application to the Disawe, he began to relate, That he had been employed by the King to come to this Country, to obtain & send Intelligence to Kandy—That he should return thither shortly by the *Road of Matura & Uwa & proposed to him (Punchyrale) to send him Intelligence to Kandy, for which he would receive Presents from the King—He assented to Ramasamy's Proposal, & the Latter promised to call again, before he went to Matura—

April 18th.—The Malay Mohm. informs,

That he has sent a Moor-man from Kandy, who informs, that the English Gentleman is still resident in Kandy at Palle Wahala—30 Maduwe People are placed over him Night & Day—& 3 Sattambies from the Palace visit him 3 times every Night to see, that all is safe—Every one is denied Access, except Muttal Samy—(Katchy Dewiyo)—

Malay Mohm. has Interview this Day with Genl. Wilson in the Fort—

„ 27th.—Andarapana Mohm. attends with Wattala Appu, & informs,

That he is sent by Pusweylle Disawe to enquire after the Health of the Disawe of Colombo—& to relate, that the Articles which were sent for the English Gentleman, had been duly delivered. Himself was sent to Kandy with Arukgammana Vidan, in charge of these Things, carrying also the Letter from me & an Ola from Pusweylle Disawe to his Brother Maha Gabada Nilame—On their Arrival in Kandy, the Articles were all sent for, by the King to the Palace, & all were given out again, except 1 Bag containing 4 Bottles of Wine.

Maha Gabada Nilame himself went with them to Kora Wahalkada, where the English Gentleman is now residing—Himself & the rest were not permitted to enter the Katupeyleyla, but the People of the Gabadawa carried the Things within—He is further directed to acquaint me, That he is want

* Via Idalgashinna and Dodanaja Kapalla.

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of a Golden Parrot, & to search for one, & to learn the Price, & come & inform him—also to tell Wattala Appu to bring the Dimensions of the Horse, concerning which he before sent a Message, & to inform the Price—Maha Gabada Nilame desired him to state, the English Gentleman might now be obtained—

Wattala Appu informs,

That there is a Golden Parrot (Rana girawa) in possession of Appu Sinio, who has lately purchased it, & is about to sell it to Persons, come for that purpose from Eyheylepola Ist. Adikar at Saparagomuwa—

„ 30th.—I learn, that the Rana girawa or rather Lory, was purchased by Appu Sinio for RD. 150, & sold by him to the Kandyans of Saparagomuwa for RD. 300—

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May 2d.—Andarapana Mohm. again attends—He informs, That in Kandy there is a Kurullan Maduwa where a great Number of Native Birds are kept, under Charge of particular Officers—There are Birds, which talk all Languages—There are Persons about the Court, who know the English Language. It is said, that the King himself understands it, & of the Chiefs, Haluwadana Nilame, named Galeylle. They are said to have learnt it from Indulgoda Unnanse now Deed., & Kobbeykaduwa the present Nayaka—

Instructed him to convey my best Compts. to Pusweylle Nilame, to acquaint him, that I have caused Enquiry to be made in every Place, but find that no Rana Girawa is to be procured; I will enquire still further, & send for one to the Coast—& will make Enquiry for a good Horse, which will suit him—That I am much disappointed at not having recd. an Answer regarding the Proposal I before communicated, of meeting & conversing with him at the Frontiers. That I shall have great Pleasure in seeing him, & hope for a speedy & favourable Answer—

May 4th.—Awusadahamy of Talawitiya attends—& in-
 1812. forms, That Eylapata Nilame died of Fever &
 Flux about 9 Days ago on the Day of the last Full
 Moon. He was taken ill at Batugedara, & carried
 to his Walawuwe at *

in Nawadun K. about 6 Days before. Him-
 self accompanied him, & whilst he lay sick, he told
 him, in case he did not survive, he knew not, what
 might happen to his Family & Property, & in-
 structed him to recommend his Children, viz. his
 adopted Son, now 10 Years of Age, & his own Son,
 about 5 Years, to the Protection of the Disawe of
 Colombo. Himself before his Death went to
 Warigama Nilame at Batugedara, & on his Return
 found, that Eylapata Nilame died, & his Body was
 burnt the same Day at the neighbouring Temple—
 The Ashes were collected, a Mound raised over them
 with Stones & Chunam, & a Nuga Tree planted at
 the top—He was about 36 Years of Age, & had a
 great Reputation for his Wealth & for performing
 Pinkam—His Daughter was engaged to be given in
 Marriage to the own Son of Eyheylepola 1st.
 Adikar, now living in Kandy—& Eylapata Nilame
 before leaving Batugedara had given Account to
 the 1st. Adikar of all his Patrimonial Wealth &
 Estates—& amongst other Things delivered to
 him, the Cloth stained with the Blood of a †black
 Tiger, which one of Eylapata's Ancestors had dis-
 played much Valour in Killing with a Lance at
 Sitawaka—Warigama Atapattu & Basnayake
 Nilame is lying sick at Batugedere with a Fever,
 which attacks him once in 3 Days—He instructed
 him to convey his best Compts. to the Disawe, &
 to acquaint him that he is at present sick, & unable
 to write—The Fever is at present very prevalent
 in the Saffragam K.—It is said, that several Orders
 have come from Kandy, to recall the 1st. Adikar—
 It is reported also, that Unambuwe Nilame 2d.
 Adikar is coming down to Saffragam, to enquire
 into the Transactions & Conduct of the 1st. Adikar
 during his Residence there—& to enforce the
 King's Orders for selling all Articles at a fixed &
 low Price, a Cocoanut for a Chalia, a Medide of

* Elapáta.

† Cf. Notes on some Siphalese Families by Mr. P. E. Pieris, Part II,
 page 4, where this feat is attributed to Súriya Baḡḡāra, adopted son
 of Rāja Sipha I., who rewarded him with Elapáta and other villages.

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Rice for 1 Pice &c.—There is also a Rumour, that the Disawany of Saffragam will be given to Pusweylle Nilame—There is no News of any Importance.—There are about 100 Armed Men in attendance at the Tanayama, but no Drilling—About 7 or 8 Days before the Singaleze New Year, there was a Violent Hurricane, accompanied with Thunder & Lightning, which blew down many trees in Kuruwiti Mukalana, broke down the Bough of a Bogaha near Sapparagomuwe Dewale, & was felt in Kandy. In Kuruwiti Mukalana are many Walukina Trees, which are adjacent to a Rivulet, flowing into Kaltura River. No one at present is permitted to cut them—

6th.—Peyniheyala Dingyrale attends & informs, That near 3 Months ago the Dutchman in Kandy, & Lala the Brahman were imprisoned, in consequence of a Letter from the English Gentleman being detected in the hands of the latter—Himself on leaving Colombo before, was occupied a long time in his Suit with Daniel Appu, before the Disawe of the 4 Korles—After going to Kandy, he applied to the Dutchman, & went with him & Suppu one of the Maduwe Eytto to the Residence of the English Gentleman, beyond Hakkeytuwagala—He did not speak with the Gentleman, but was told by the Dutchman, he could give no Letter then, but would in a few Days—5 or 6 Days after, the Dutchman & Lala went, & in consequence of Information given Lala was seized on his Return & a Letter found upon him—They were both imprisoned at different Walawuwes in Kandy & he believes remain so still—The English Gentleman was brought to Kandy, & questioned, but no Blame fell upon him. He remained at Kora Wahalkada 3 Days, & was then remanded to Dumbara—Himself on Account of Suspicion which attached by cause of his former Imprisonment, was also seized & confined in the Maha Hira Ge, but there being no kind of Proof, he was released after about 33 Days—He is going to Kandy shortly to appear before Mudeynnepola Nilame, the new Basnayake Nilame of the Maha Dewale (Vishnu) to which his Village belongs. (The Dewale Gabada Gan &c. had been before placed under Orders of the Disawes)—He thinks he shall

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1812. be able to obtain a Letter from the Gentleman by means of Suppu, who is a Man without fear, & has free Access to the Gentleman. For this purpose, he requests a small Writing on a diminutive Bit of Paper, for a Token, to be delivered to him—

„ „ Recd. Official Letter from Govt. authorising to permit the Ja Mohm. to occupy & possess 4 Acres of the Govt. Garden at Negombo, Padili Watte—

May 7th.—Peyniheyla Dingyrale attends—

Gave him RD. 10—
& a diminutive Note with the following inscribed, which was written this morning, according to the Govr's. Approbation—:

'Lieutt. Genl. Brownrigg the present Govr. holds you in Recollection—& will leave no Means untried to procure your Release—How is your Health?—Describe your Residence—Have you recd. any Articles sent to you about 6 Weeks ago?—'

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„ 15th.—Wattala Appu attends with Andarapane Mohm.—

Andarapane Mohm. informs,

That he is sent in a great haste to Colombo by Pusweylle Nilame, with directions to bring Wattala Appu & a great Number of fine Cloths, which he requires for Deykum to the King, which are annually given at the New Year. They must be sent to Kandy to be presented on the ensuing Full Moon—In case Wattala Appu had not Money to purchase Cloths enough, he was directed to go to the Disawe of Colombo & ask for some—Wattala Appu has purchased about RD. 100 worth, & it would be well, if he could get about RD. 100 more—

Pusweylle Disawe seems vexed, that a Golden Parrot had not been sent, & observed, One he has procured for the 1st. Adikar, why cannot the Disawe procure one for me? Is he afraid, that I would not send the Money for it?—He must positively leave Colombo to-morrow at Noon, because he has special Orders to return on Sunday—Informed, him that I am surprized, Pusweylle Disawe if he had Occasion for any thing from me,

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did not acquaint me by Writing. However he knows full well, that I am never accustomed to send Things to Kandy for Money. But if I send them, I send them for Presents. With respect to the Rana Girawa, I should have sent one if it was to be procured. But did he expect me to seize by force & send to him that which had been purchased for the 1st. Adikar?—He replies, with the peculiar Singaleze Emphasis *එහෙම කොඳෙ ?—If he should continue in Colombo to-morrow, I shall be happy to see him again in the Evening—

16th.—Andarapane Mohm. again attends & informs,

That Wattala Appu has procured, by pawning Articles, Cloths to the Value of about RD. 375— which was sufficient.—Kuttiseru & පව්වඩන් (fine red †පරවන පෙරළි When he acquainted Pusweylle Nilame with my Message about conversing at the Frontiers, he replied, that such a Thing could not take Place without leave from the Great Gate—

Instructed him to convey my best Compts. & to acquaint Pusweylle Disawe, That I am disappointed at still receiving no Answer to my Proposal of meeting him at the Limits—That I have since learnt, there is one Rana Girawa in Colombo, but it is lame. (He observes, that a lame Bird is not fit for Presentation)—However, if it will suit his purpose, I shall be happy to send it. In consequence of his Request, I have written to the Coast to have a few sent, & shall be glad to gratify his Wishes, when they arrive—

May 31st.—Sinna Mira Mihidien lebbe attends & informs, That he has been compelled to abscond privately from Ruwanweylle in consequence of Intelligence he recd., that an Order was come down from Kandy to seize & send him up—When he returned from hence to Ruwanweylle last time (Vide Jany. 10th.) Sinne lebbe accused him before the Disawe Molligoda of having written an Ola, to the Head Moorman of Colombo giving Information of 2 Kandyan Spies—Having, however, asserted boldly, that the Ola was not his Hand-writing (which

* In that way indeed is it good ?

† Covering cloths.

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was true) & there being no other Proof agt. him, & further having made some Presents to the Dis- awe, he was that time acquitted. But since this, the Cooly named Adama, who was the Bearer of the Ola, & betrayed him by delivering the Ola at Colombo to Sinne lebbe, (who had come from Ruwanwelle with the 2 Kandyan Spies Kristna & Seyedu employed by Muttal Samy) has proceeded to Kandy & given Evidence of the Transaction—

Having a Tavellam at Ruwanwelle, he suspected that he should not be suffered to come to Colombo openly. Under Pretence of going with 2 or 3 other Persons employed by Sangalingam (a Kandyan Lekam now resident at Ruwanwelle) to apprehend a Man, who had stolen some Jewels from him, he took the Opportunity of making his Escape across the Limits. He is afraid to return, & shall lose all the Property in his Tavellam—

About a Month ago he obtained from Lala (who is in Prison at the House of Gabada Nilame) by means of

a Malabar Ola desiring to pay to him the Bearer described, the Money which appeared in Major Davie's Draft in favour of Lala—Before leaving Ruwanweylle he entrusted it to a Man to bring to Colombo, but it is not yet arrived—

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Sund: 7th.—Sinne Mira Mibidien lebbe attends & in- forms,

That he has learnt, from an Acquaintance that the Cooly Adama who betrayed him, & delivered his Ola to Sinne lebbe instead of to the Head Moorman, is arrived at Colombo from the 3 Korles—Adama was born in Kandy, but has married a Woman of Maligawatte, & is now there—He has acquainted the Head Moorman, & he requests, that the Man may be seized & imprisoned & punished for his Treachery—

.. 8th.—Modr. of Hewagam K. attends & acquaints me,

That Weylpalle Aratchy, who has charge of the 2 Kadawata at Sitawaka & Degantuduwa in Korle tune, has just been with him & informed,

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That an Order has recently been recd. by the Disawes of the 3 K. & Saffragam to erect Palaces (Gaman Maligawal) at Ruwanweylle & Batugedara for the King: That the King is coming down, being displeased at the Conduct of the Disawes, who instead of obeying his Orders endeavouring to gain the Good Will of the Head Men in the English Territory, & giving Information, how far the English have advanced, do nothing but seek their own Profit—The Disawe has sent him to acquaint the Modr. with this Intelligence, to say, that it would be detrimental to the Inhabts. of both Countries, if War should take Place, that it would be well if an Ambassador was sent—That it was rarely he met with Head Men of Age & Experience, & he wished for the Modr.'s Advice how to act upon the Occasion—

The Aratchy added, that Orders had been given to collect Rice & Provisions, & that the King expected Assistance from the French—

„ 9th.—The 2d. Maha Modr. acquaints me,

That Weyl-palle Aratchy the same Person, who before came to him with a Civil Message from the Disawe of the 3 K., again came to him to-day & informed, from the Disawe, that an Order had just arrived, to build a Palace for the King at Ruwanweylle, & that he requested in every Thing the Modr.'s Assistance—

„ 12th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Udugaha P. 2d. Vid. Aratchy—June 11th.—Informing, that having sent Rendege Tambiya & Kadira hettyge Naide of Galapita Madama to Kandy for Intelligence, they related, That because Injustices in the Country were great, the King had often sent Orders to the Disawes residing in the Country to redress them—since they have not yet done Justice in a proper Manner, there is Order to the Disawes of 4 K. & 3 K. to erect Rest houses, saying that the King is coming.

But as yet they have neither built Palaces, nor collected Timbers to build. The Disawe of Korle tune went, to see the Place for building the Palace, to the Place where the Palace was formerly built at Ruwanweylle. Besides there is News.

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that he has sent Men to Kandy, to enquire whether there is Preparation for the King to come speedily, to build a Palace quickly—

13th.—Dispatched 2 Appuhs. of the Guard Wani-
gesuryge Mudiyansele Don Andries Appuhy. of
Mulhiriya, & Kankanyge Floris Perera, of Kotta
with a Letter (Keydapana) from the Governor
Genl. Brownrigg to the King of Kandy (No. 82.),
with a Letter from myself to Eyheylepola 1st.
Adikar (No. 83.), & with a Letter from myself to
the Disawe of Korla tune (No. 84.)—Gave them
RD. 30 for the Expences of their Journey—

16th.—Ola from S. Dias Modr. Date June 12th.
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that in Consequence of an Order from the King to
the Disawe of Korle tune they are preparing to
make 2 Rest houses (Gaman Maliga) at Ruwan-
welle & Hitawaka, & that Preparation is making
for inspecting the Number of Guns in Korle tune—
He has sent People to make proper Enquiry—

16th.—Andarapane Mohm. attends & informs,
That he
is sent by Puswelle Disawe to enquire after my
Health—& desire his Compts. to say, that a Rana
Girawa was much wanted for Presentation, & that
Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar had obtained much
Favour by that which he sent—& he wished to
know, whether I had sent that—The lame Parrot
would not be fit to be presented—He desired him
also to apply to me for some Jaffna Ambas, which
the King had heard, are remarkably good, & there-
fore, he would be glad, if I would send some—

Pusweylle Disawe also instructed him to ac-
quaint me, that a Palace was building at Kuruney-
gala, & the King was coming down into the 7
Korles, for the purpose of enforcing his Commands,
of redressing Injuries, & placing the Country in
Order (රට සමන්විතයි). That the English
Gentleman would be brought with the King to
Kuruneygala—That then the Disawe might be
sent to hold Conference at the Frontiers, but not
now, because it would occasion an Uproar in the
Country—That the King on coming to Kuruney-
gala designed to send Letters to Colombo, & to

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proceed to Putelum, & celebrate his *කඩු බදින මෙලය—there, as former Kings were accustomed to do, there & at Kotta—

It is expected, that the King will come down, after the Perahera of Nikini. The Palace is building at Kuruneygala with Mud Walls, & is to be covered with Tiles. Fresh Orders have been issued in the Country fixing a low Price upon all Articles—a Massa (16 Pice) for a Peyla (2 Parrahs) of Paddy—1 Pice for a Fowl—1 Chalia for a Cocoa-nut, a 6 Ct. Cloth for 5 Sattalias, &c.—1 Pice for a Measure of Salt, &c.—Every Man who has 2 Bihi (Granaries) of Paddy, is compelled to sell one at the above Price, & Paddy is sold at the same from the Bandara (King's) Stores—

Order has also been given reducing the මනත්තුවන් (lower Casts) to their Original Ranks. Paduwas & Berawayas cannot wear Beards nor Konda—Hakuro, Durawe & Hali can wear no Beards nor Ohori (Jackets) but may wear Konda—& other Regulations are enforced with respect to Dress—

He was directed also to call Wattala Appu with a few fine Cloths—Pachcha Wadan (Red Cloths). Puswelle Nilame said, that the Cloths, which he carried last time were very dear, & he retrenched about RD. 20 of the Price stated—

The Work of the Dam in Kandy is finished, as well as the Pattrippuwa, & the Maligawa & a Kotugodella—They are at present digging a deep Ditch round the †Uyanwatte from Kumarupe Widiya to the Talwatte at Kundasale—The King has lately sent ‡අටමුල් කොට්ටි to the 2 Adikars & §කහරමුල් කොට්ටි to all the Disawas, & white Karapus

Toppi to the Dukgannas, to preserve the proper Distinctions—

The Order is, that if the People of the Lower Country do not choose to sell the Cloths & Salt at the fixed Prices, the Kandyans must make no Disturbance, but tell them to go & sell their Wares elsewhere, & the King will supply them with both in Kandy at the same Rates—

* Sword tying festival.

† Talwatta, near Gaggarama.

‡ Eight cornered hats.

§ Four cornered hats.

June 20th.—Andarapane Mohm. again attends—He in-
 1812. forms, that of the Singaleze Madige People of 7 K. to which he belongs, there are 38 Families, but the People are much more numerous—They are under the Orders of 5 Mohandirams, of whom himself is one, & has 10 Families under him. They receive annually from the King 300 Ridi (RD. 100) for the Purchase of Areka, & are obliged to return to the Treasury 600 Ridi—To save themselves from Loss, they are obliged to purchase at Chilaw or Putalam, Cloths, Salt Fish & Salt, & to exchange these in the 4 K. for Areka Nuts—With this Value they can purchase about 20 Amms. of 30,000 each, & by conveying it to Putalam & Chilaw might obtain some Profit, but they cannot spare time from the Cultivation & Care of their Fields, where they must *රැඳී ලබන්නා till the Crop is reaped, on acct. of the Elephants—The Madige People have the liberty of pressing to carry their Areka the Hulanbadde People, i.e. Persons without fixed Land or Rajakaraya—& of employing them gratis. The Madige People of the 7 K. are further obliged to furnish annually at their own expence to the King 15 Kotta of Salt, each Kotta being 120 Neyli—The Quantity is divided amongst them according to the Land they possess, & himself is charged with 50 Neyli—

Instructed Andarapane Mohm. to present my best Compts. to Pusweyle Nilame—to assure him, that I shall be happy to send a Rana Girawa, when I can procure one. That I am sorry, I can procure at this moment no better Ambas (Mangoes) then Wattala Appu has given to him, & that I will send some Jaffna Ambas, as soon as I can obtain them—

June 24th.—Pulingurale, of Weylipota, Ihala dolos P. 7 K., a Gabada Village attends with the Havildaru—& informs,

That he arrived in Colombo 3 Days ago, & has been lodging with Havildaru, at Orta Seda, being a Person with whom he was well acquainted in Kandy—

* Stay in watch huts.

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He is elder Brother of Ukkurale, who was seized a few Months ago with a Letter which he carried from Colombo—It happened in the following Manner: Ukkurale came to Colombo with a Pannaya of Harispattu, & was absent from his Village 18 Days—On the Day of his Return to his Village Weylipota, the Pannaya went to the House of Uduwele Mohm. Geborale, named Kirihamy, who was living near the Atuwa, & had lately come to take Charge of this Village, which was before under the Orders of himself & Ukkurale as Vidans—The Mohm. questioned him, whether Ukkurale had brought Cloths, & where he had been, & what he had been doing so long—& the Pannaya informed amongst other Things, that Ukkurale had been to the Fort—The Mohm. (who had been offended, because himself & Ukkurale had not paid their Respects to him upon being appointed to the Village) came the same Evening to his (Pulingurale's) House, where Ukkurale lived—& sat down, & desired to see his Cloths, & asked for Betel—Ukkurale with his Betel Box, inadvertently laid down his Heymbiliya (Tampatchy) also. The Mohm. took it up, & unpereceived by any one took from it a Letter, which Ukkurale had brought from Colombo—Early the next Morning, just before Day light, his House was surrounded by a Number of Gabadawe People, Ukkurale was bound, & carried a Prisoner to Kandy. Uduwela Mohm. understands Dutch, Portuguese & English Languages—Ukkurale was questioned, & said, that he had been sent to Colombo on Commission to receive Money from a Moorman, that the Moorman had given to him in Return this Paper, & he knew nothing of its Contents—The Dutchman, (who was taken in the War, who makes Gunpowder & married a Moor Woman) Lala, & Cutwal were all implicated. The English Gentleman was brought from Dumbara & questioned & at the end of about 8 Days, after several Enquiries, the Dutchman, as the Contriver & Chief Instrument of the Secret Correspondence, was carried to Ampitiya & beheaded, & impaled. Lala & Cutwal & Ukkurale were carried away from Kandy, he did not then know where. But he has since learnt, that they are all 3 living in Confinement at Badulle in Uwa at the House of the Atuwe Vidan—The

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English Gentleman was kept 8 Days in Kandy at the House of Ankumbure Gabada Vidan at Migon Arambe—There is a Katupelelle before the House—and was then removed to Uduwela, & is still residing there at the House of the Kankan formerly Gammeyhe near the Atuwa—On the first Day of questioning Lala & Kutuwal, they were permitted to return to their Houses, & there in his (Pulingurale's) Presence Kutuwal wrote an Ola—and Lala delivered to him, with Instructions to give to Mihidien Bawa a Moorman at Colombo. Havildar led him to-day to this Moorman, who has called them both to the Disawe's House—He is unacquainted with Mihidien Bawa before—

Orders have been issued by the King for building Palaces in the Country—Those in Uwa are finished, & it is reported that the King will proceed first to Kataragam, & make a Circuit through Saffragam, the 3. & 4. & 7 K. That he is going to bring Salt from the Leways—and has given Directions to the Madige People of Uwa to have a great Number of Cattle in readiness.

His Brother Ukkurale told him, that in case of Accident befalling him, he should apply to the Disawe of Colombo, who would give him Assistance—Ukkurale escaped with his Life, by the Assistance of Gabada Nilame, to whom he (Pulingurale) gave Presents—Lala by Favour of Muttal Samy (Katchi Dewiyo the Son of the King's Mother's Sister, born on the Coast, Father unknown)—The 2d. Day after this Full Moon (the Full Moon is this Day 24th.) is said to have been fixed for the Departure of the King from Kandy, but it is supposed his Journey will be delayed by the Arrival of the 2 Modrs. with a Keydapana—

If he receives Assistance, he shall be able to convey a Letter to the English Gentleman at Uduwela—and to bring an Answer—

25th.—Sinna Mira Mihidien Bawa also attends with Pulingurale, & produces the Malabar Ola, which Pulingurale delivered to him—This is not the same Ola, which was delivered to him at Ruwanweylle by Hineytipana Vidan, but is written by Lala, & states, that he Mihidien lebbe must receive the RD. 600—

June 25th.—Sinne Mira Mihidien lebbe again attends—
 1812. Directed him, if possible, to send a Person to the
 3 Korles, & procure the other Ola from Lala—

He informs, that he cannot go there himself
 —His elder Brother who was in his Tavellam at
 Kotikaha Cumbura in the 4 K., made his Escape
 about the same time with himself—He has since
 heard, that his Property in the 2 Tavellams, was
 taken by different People there, saying, that he
 was indebted to them: & what remained was taken
 by the Disawe—

26th.—Wijayakonge Mudalihamy, now of Orta
 Seda, (a fugitive from Kandy about 6 Years ago)
 attends & informs,

That he has just seen a Henaya from the
 Kandyan Country, & learnt, that the Palaces in
 Uwa are finished, & the Report is, that the King is
 going to Kataragam, & will proceed from thence
 through Saffragam, 3, & 4 Korles—The King has
 lately called before him all the inferior Head Men
 of the Rata hate, & given them Samakkattu, &
 Money & told them, they must be ready, when he
 should call them upon an Expedition—The King's
 Journey, it is supposed will be delayed by the
 Arrival of the 2 Mudiyansela with the Keyda-
 pana—

26th.—Pulingurale, of Weylipota again attends—
 On questioning him again about the Manner in
 which the Letter from hence was detected on
 Ukkurale, he varies from his first Account, &
 states That the Morning after Ukkurale's Arrival
 from Colombo, several Paniwidakarayo came to
 his House, & sat down in a friendly manner, &
 asked to look at his Cloths, & ate Betel—when one
 of them saw the Letter in his Pita heymbiliya
 (outer Tampatchy), & asked, what it was?
 Ukkurale replied, It was a Bit of Paper in which
 he wrapped some Medicines—The Man however
 opened it, & stretched it out (දෙසෑන) & shewed
 the European Letters to all present, & called them
 to Witness—& then bound Ukkurale—

(From this Variation I rather suspect, that
 the Letter which he carried from hence was not
 detected, that his Motive for saying so, may be
 the Hope of greater Reward, for having suffered
 in consequence of being detected with my Letter,

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than if detected with one from Major Davie; & that the Letter detected, if any, was according to my first Accounts, from Major Davie)—He further informs, that on the 2d. Day after the Wesak Pujawa ended, i.e. the 2d. Day of the New Moon of Pohon (which is now waning) the King distributed Presents to the Korales & Head Men of the Rata hate & Disawanies, intimating that they must be in readiness, when called upon Expedition—Before Ukkurale's Apprehension, the English Gentleman was one Day (about 3 Months before) called to Kandy & recd. some Cloths, but did not stay there—Himself came to Negombo with others for Salt, about 2 Months before Ukkurale's Detection, but carried away no Bottle of Arrack—The English Gentleman before resided in Dumbara, near the Atuwa, at Gammeyhe's House—This Gammeyhe was put to Death at Talwatte in consequence of Discoveries by Ukkurale's Apprehension—

Delivered to Pulingurale a Diminutive Piece of Paper to be delivered to Major Davie, inscribed as follows:

'How is your Health?

Where are you residing?

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Gave him 5 Star Pagodas—& RD. 5 for Expenses of his Journey—

.. 27th.—Wrote to Matura Maha Modr., directing him, by order of the Govr. to use Diligence in procuring Intelligence from Uwa, with respect to the Building of Maliga—& Prisoners supposed to be detained at Badulu Nuwere—

.. .. Wattala Appu attends & informs,

That a Man of the Gabadawa in Kandy, whom he has known 4 or 5 Years, is come to him—to get a little Salt Fish, & a Cloth—He informs, that the English Gentleman is living in the Kora Wahalkada in Kandy—& intimated, that he would bring him on this Side of the River, or would bring a Letter—On calling him to come to the Disawe, he was unwilling & said he could not come, till he brought a Letter—

Directed him to bring the Man to me to-morrow Evening, or if he objected, to tell him to go & bring the Letter according to his own Proposal—

June 28th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Date June
 1812. 27th.—Sending Samarasekragge Jayatuhamy of
 Weyligam K. Matura, who relates, that he went
 with another Man to Pay Obeisance at Sripade &
 Dalada Maligawa, & one Day of Pinkama whilst
 he was hearing Bana there, a Man was seized with
 Angan Sickness, & could not be cured, when
 the Companion of Jayatuhamy,* මතුරු cured
 him—They were seized, that Man put in
 Prison, & Jayatuhamy after living several Days at
 the Walawuwe of Udagampaha, made his Escape—
 Sends a Wattoor, reporting what happened to him,
 & what he saw—
 Also informs,

That he has learnt for certain, that the
 2 Appuhamies from Colombo, are still residing at
 the House of Eypalapitiya Dambarage Mohan-
 diram—

Wattoor of Information by Jayatuhamy—
 Himself & another Man having proceeded into the
 Kandyan Country to pay Obeisance to Sripade &
 Dalada Maligawa. Having paid Obeisance to the
 latter, whilst he was hearing Bana, Angan Sick-
 ness () having seized
 a Singaleze Man, when he could not be cured
 by Medicines, the Man who accompanied
 Jayatuhamy* මතුරු cured him. Udagampaha
 Adikaram put him in the Maha Hira Ge—
 Jayatuhamy was placed with a Bandara
 of the Adikar, & made his Escape, & on his Way to
 Matara, the Modr. met with him—On enquiring,
 he related as follows: In the middle of the Weywa
 lately made by the King, a Square Kunda-
 salawa () has been built &
 covered with කොඳු ලිඳ (Hooked Tiles)—There
 are also built, & in the same Weywa, 2
 Yatra Donies with 1 Mast each, & 2 Pades. The
 Bridge built for going to the Kundasalawa in the
 Middle of the Weywa, is made to fold up & open—
 Pattani, Jawas, Moormen & Singaleze, about 500
 Men are exercised near the Palace—People with
 Guns in their hands are on Guard round the Palace
 Night & Day constantly—It is to know, that there
 is great Favour to the English Gentleman, who
 lives there, from the King—

* Having chanted.

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Jayatuhamy says, that himself saw the Gentleman—The Adikar at Batugedara is causing a Sloop to be built—As he went to Pay Obeisance at Dalada Maligawa, there was no Drilling of People at Batugedara. Now People are collected at Batugedara, & drilled—4 Caffres who fled from Matura upon coming to Batugedara, the Adikar sent to Kandy—Jayatuhamy says, he saw 2 of them—Besides, after having learnt the News, that the King is coming to the Low-Country with the Multitude, upon Enquiring at what period, he is to come, there is Preparation for coming in the ensuing Month of Durutu—In that Expedition, in which he comes for making War, & that no Man must retreat, & that if any one retreat, they will be beheaded, a forcible Order has been issued by the King to the Chiefs & to the People—Thus Jayatuhamy related, according as he learnt Intelligence—

Jayatuhamy informs, that he went to Kandy with 2 Priests of Beralu Panatara Temple in Morawa K. He does not know their Names. The Caffres were sent to Kandy from Batugedara at the same time with a Rana Girawa, & an Ola—

29th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr.—Dated June 28th.—Informing, that Uduwara Naraneniye Mohandiram, Yatinuwara Naranwita Mohandiram, 4 Aratchies, about 30 Lascorins, 4 Musquets, an Uduwiyana (Canopy)—4 Banners, 4 Patishtana (), 4 Lances, 2 Sinharan karayo, & 1 Horanakaraya, with these Pavade having come from Kandy itself, to conduct the Appuhamies, Bearers of the Keydapan, who were staying at Eypalapitiya, conducted away the 2 Appuhamies who came with the Above Letters, on the 27th., to proceed to Kandy—

30th. Upasakarale, of Atigala attends & informs, That he is just arrived from the 7 K.—He went to in the Ihala dolos P., where Juannes Appu lives, but did not find him at home—He returned after waiting 2 Days—He met there a Betel Trader from Kandy, who informed, that the King had lately given Presents of Cloths, Pagodas & Rupees to the Mohottales, Korales, & Head Men of

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the Rata hate & Disawanies, & bid them be in readiness to do, as he directed—A great Pinkam took Place on Wednesday last at Dalada Maligawa, & it is doubted whether a Perahera will take Place on account of the King's Journey. On his Way thither & on his Return he passed through Atamune, where the Disawe of Ihala dolos P. was just arrived (as he returned) from Weywuda—He saw several Pingos of Iron Balls & Gunpowder brought to Atamune. He heard, that the Palaces are finished in Uwa—& that they are building at Attapitiya & Kuruneygala—And that at the Residence of Pusweylle Nilame in Pahala dolos P., Arms have been brought & examined, young Men have been selected, & from about 4 Days ago, have been drilling—

The Dam in Kandy is finished, & for some time the common People have had Rest from Labour—

June 30th.—Awusadahamy, of Talawitiya, near Keyndangomuwa,

That Eknelligoda (now Kodituwakku Nilame) desired his best Compts. & only wished to know what I desired, in order that he might accomplish it—Warigama Nilame is still sick, & desired his best Compts., & particularly to let me know of his Illness—Eknelligoda Nilame directed him to acquaint me, That an Order is come down from Kandy, stating that the King is about to proceed on a Journey to Kataragam, from thence to Sapparagomuwe Dewale, & that Preparations must be made—In consequence hereof, since about 12 Days, the People of the Dewale Villages have been called, & employed in repairing, & clearing the Temple, & rebuilding the Buildings belonging to it, which were in Ruins, & putting the whole Place in proper Order—There is a Place near Batugedara Tanayama, called Maligagodeylle, which has now been cleared of Jungle, & Timbers are collected for building a Palace there—Orders have been given also for the Attendance of Lascs. from the different Villages with their Arms, & their Arms have been examined, but there is no Drilling—Eknelligoda bid him inform me, that he has Intelligence, that a Dewinwahanse (as customary) when the King makes Journies has come to Badulla, & all People of Saffragam K. are strictly

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forbidden to go to Uwa, as usual to trade—That these preparations for a Journey, he understands, have taken Place, in consequence of the Arrival of the King's Relations (who had proceeded on Embassy) from a Foreign Country—Several People of the Girawaya Pattu in Matura, have come to Batugedara & Denawaka, & other Villages for want of Food, with their Families, & work for their Livelihood, & sell their Articles for Food—There is no Scarcity of Rice at Saffragam—At Batugedara it sells for 4 Pice, in his Village at 5 Pice per Neyliya of to a Parrah)—He has heard of an Order, fixing a Maximum in all Articles, as Rice for 1 Pice pr. Neyliya, &c. but it has no where taken Place—

There is a Sloop building at Waraka Tota, at Batugedara (according to his Description about

A Barkier (Hambankaraya) of Colombo, with 4 other Carpenters from hence are employed, & receive an ample Allowance of Rice & other Articles—The rest of the Workmen are Saffragam People—The Adikar comes to inspect the Work once in 2 Days—The Sloop is designed for Kandy—

Eknelligoda Nilame is sending for Sale at Colombo about 20 Pr. of Bullocks, to realize 300 Pagodas for the Purchase of the 2 Villages of Pusweylle & Dodampe in Saffragam K., which are about to be sold for Debts—Dodampe was mortgaged with Balawatwala Nilame (beheaded last Year), & this Mortgage having devolved to the Treasury, the Money is demanded—

„ „ Peyniheyila Dingyrale attends & informs, (Vide May 6th.) That he accompanied Suppu, a Gabadaawe Man, to the House of Ange gammeyhey at Watapana in Dumbara, where the English Gentleman is residing—He stood at the Door, whilst Suppu went in, & gave the Letter, which he read, & put under his Mat with the Pencil & Paper, & said he could not write an Answer then, but would hereafter—He appeared to be in good Health, & wore a red Coat & white Trowsers—Himself stayed about 10 Days in Kandy, & was taken ill, & could not go again—He came sick to his Village, & has been there 20 Days—There is vague Report, that the King is coming down into

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the Country, but it is not much believed—He saw no Maligawa building at Attapitiya—The Disawe of the 4 K. is residing at Anwarama, about 2 Heytakma from Attapitiya, out of the Road—His Wedding is to take Place on the 10th. of this Month, & he requests Assistance for it—he marries the Daughter of the elder Brother of Ratambale Mohm.

I suspect, that he is deceiving in his Story, of having seen the English Gentleman at Watapana—& told him to bring a Proof of what he states, from the Gentleman—Until which he will receive no further Assistance from me—

[From this to 18th. Sept. lost by copyist. It contained the account of the 2 Appuhamies of their embassy to Kandy under date of July 14.]

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Being introduced, they both bow, & Walandure Mohottale on the right, bearing the Ola in his right hand, as high as his Head, delivers to me the Ola (No. 100) from the 1st. Adikar, now residing at Batugedara, & the following formal Conference takes place:

Q.—From whom have you brought this Ola?— A.— Pallegampape *උතුමු වෙ මහත්මයානන් වහන්සේ delivered it to us to be presented to† කොළඹ මහදිසානේ රාජසාමන් වහන්සේ.

Q.—When you set out from the Kandyan Country, how was the Health of †Pallegampape Maha Adikaram Ralahaminwahanse?— A.—When we set out, he was in perfect Health.

Q.—I am very much gratified to hear, that he is in good Health—How is the Health of the other Principal §Ralahaminwahansela in the Circle of great Ministers of the G. Gate Supreme, the Chief of happy Lanka?—

A.—At present they are in very good Health—

Q.—I am very happy to hear it—It there be any Thing, which you were instructed to communicate by Word of Mouth, you are at liberty to state it—

* Supreme great counsellor.
† The great Disawa of Colombo.
‡ I.e., the First Adikar.
§ Chiefs.

A.—There will be such a Message—

Q.—Then you may communicate it—

A.—We were ordered to enquire after the Health of the great Disawe of Colombo—

Q.—I am at this time in good Health without any Default or Ailing—& I am thankful many times, that he has made Enquiry. Were you instructed to communicate anything else?—

A.—No—We were ordered so much—

Q.—Then you may return to the Tanayama, where you are residing—After having perused the Ola which you have brought, I shall call you again—
They both bow & retire backwards—

N.B. They both bow rather low, without closing their hands.

.. 19th. Saturday The 2 Kandyan Mohottales attend at my House at 9 A.M. conducted and accompanied as before—& the following Ceremonious Conversation takes place:

Q.—Of the Matters which you were instructed to state by word of Mouth, is there any Thing further to communicate?—

A.—There is no other; we before communicated all that we were instructed—

Q.—Have you recd. your *අඩුකු වැඩිදුම ඉදුම කිවුම in a proper manner?—

A.—By the Disawe's Assistance, we have recd. it without Deficiency—

Q.—Then since you are residing several Days in Colombo, it is my Intention to give you Permission to return Sinhale—A. It is very good—

Q.—When you shall have arrived there, you will state, That I have many times desired my Compts. to Pallegampahe Maha Adhikaram Ralahaminwanse †ප්‍රධාන කොට & the Principal Chiefs in the Great circle of Ministers of the G. Gate Supreme—

A.—It is very good.

A Suitable Answer to the Ola you have brought, will be sent in a few Days. That also you will communicate—You may take your Leave—

* Provisions cooked and uncooked, and lodgings.

† In the first place.

A.—We will do so—

They bow & retire, & receive their Wechchan—
The Wechchan presented to them are as follows:
For the Mohottiyar & Korale—

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2 half fine Muris Katchies (half to each)—	21.8
2 white Suruttu Tuppoties—(1 to each)—	6.6
1 blue or Kangan Katchy— $\frac{1}{2}$ to each—	8.6
1 Ana Katchy (in lieu of Caps)— $\frac{1}{2}$ to each—	5.6
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For 1 Aratchy—

Half an Ana Katchy 2.9

For 8 Lascorins—11 Wahumpura-

yas & other Servants—6 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ana
Katchies—being $\frac{1}{2}$ Katchy to each—34.10

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Expences of maintaining the Mohot-			
tale & Korale, 4 Days—	7	8	
Do. of 1 Aratchy & 8 Lasc. & 11			
Servants, for Do—	24	0	
Additional Expences for Oil, &c.—	3	2	2
	<hr/> 34	<hr/> 10	<hr/> 2

19th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr.—Dated
Sept. 15th.—Informing, that he has learnt from
the Spies, sent to enquire, That they did not learn,
that any Order is come for the Disawe of Pahala
dolos P., 7 K. to go to Kandy, nor any Preparation
for going—

24th.—Wattala Appu attends & relates,
That he proceeded
with Andarapane Mohm. by Way of Negombo, &
from thence carried for the Disawe Pusweylle 135
Pieces of Tora Fish, 50 Crabs, & some small live
Fish, but the latter died on the Way—They arrived
in 3 Days at the Residence of the Disawe, at Dam-
pitiya, & early the next Morning went & presented
to him the Ola, & the Articles sent—

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The Disawe enquired, for whom the Things were intended?, & being informed that the Fish were for himself, & the other Things for the English Gentleman, but that I had desired he would take any Thing he pleased amongst them, he opened & examined minutely all the Packages, caused account of them to be written by his Walawuwe Mohottale, Munemale Mohottale—He enquired, what the Wine was good for, & what its Price at Colombo, & endeavoured to open 1 Bottle to taste it, but could not draw the Cork, & let it alone—He caused all the Packages to be sealed, & dictated an Ola to his Brother the High Steward, desiring that after communicating to the Great Gate, he would convey the Articles mentioned to the English Gentleman—He sent also for the King, the Salt Fish & 45 live Crabs, keeping only 5 for himself.—The Letter from me he dispatched, with the Things, unopened, & bid the Messengers deliver them in Kandy without fail, the next Day evening—All this took place in his own Presence—

The Disawe also enquired from him, whether an Embassy was going to Kandy, whether many Presents had been prepared, & whether Messengers had arrived in Colombo with an Ola from Kandy—He remained there 2 Days, & then took his Leave, without acquainting the Disawe with the Letter & Scarlet Cloth which he was carrying for the younger Eyheylepola—He then proceeded into the Ihala dolos Pattu, to Weywuda, but found that the Disawe Eyheylepola had gone with about 100 Men to Hanguranketa to repair a Wall, which had fallen—He therefore returned, & left his Cloths with Andarapane Mohm. & has brought back to Colombo the Scarlet Cloth, & my letter (which latter he delivers)—At the Residence of Pusweylle Disawe, he saw *Wed of the Betge, who related, that about 2 Months before, they had been sent by the King's Order to attend the English Gentleman at Udunuwa, near Uduwela—He had recovered his Health, but was thin—The 7 Korles is almost desolate for Want of Food, & very few Fields are now sown for want of Rain—Much Sickness prevails, Fever & Dysentery, arising from want of proper Food, particularly in the

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Ihala dolos P.—It is computed, that 100 Men die every Day in the 7 Korles—& in the Village Weywuda alone 97 Persons died in 1 Month—One of his own Coolies, a Jaggerero, was seized with Dysentery at Andarapane, & notwithstanding every Assistance, died after 7 Days—The People of the 7 K. are exceedingly disaffected to the King, & ascribe their present Calamities of Sickness & Famine to the Injustices & Wrongs committed by the King—

26th.—Awusadahamy, of Talawitiya attends & states (Vide Sept. 10.)—That he is sent by Warigama Nilame with his best Compts. to acquaint me,

That Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar is about to proceed from Batugedera to Denawaka on Tuesday last. Tanayam had been built there, & himself, & all the other Head Men had been ordered to attend him, with the Kodituwakku, & Lascorins had been sent for from the Villages—He did not yet know the Object of his Journey, but he bid him (the Messenger) come to him at Denawaka, or wheresoever he should be, & he would send me all the Information he could—That himself Warigama Nilame had lost his Office of Atapattu Nilame, which had been conferred on his Sister's Husband Doloswala Nilame—That with respect to what I enquired, there was no Doubt about the Death of the English Gentleman—He had died, it was said, in Kandy—& his Body was exceedingly swelled—The King had forbidden any one to mention his Death—Eknelligoda Nilame also desired his best Compts.—Himself (the Messenger) left Batugedera on Tuesday Morning, & it was expected, the Adikar would set off for Denawaka that Day—Denawaka is reckoned near a Day's Journey—In Leagues, about 3 Leagues distant—about 100 Men have been exercising daily at Batugedera for some time—On his way he met some of the Attendants, of the 2 Kandyan Head Men, who lately brought an Ola to Colombo—The Mohottale & Korale had gone straight from Hitawaka to Kandy to give Account of their Mission—Directed him to express to Warigama Nilame, my great Satisfaction at his Attention & Friendship in sending the Intelligence—I hope for a Continuance of his Communications & that he will acquaint me, if any Thing of Moment occurs—

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27th.—Marasana Unnanse (Vide Augt. 16th.) attends & informs—

That since receiving my Note, he met with another Aradanawa, for the latter Was, & has been residing at Kirillawala in the Meda P. Sinna K.—He dispatched the Note by the Hands of his Servant Boy, who accompanied some Traders to the 4 K., & from thence went with a Priest to Kandy, & delivered the Note to his Walawuwe i.e. to the House of his Sister's Son.

6 Days ago the Lad returned with the Paper (which he now produces) a Piece of China Paper, apparently blank & brought also an Ola, stating that the Gentleman had no Pens & Ink & Paper, & that this Paper should be scorched by a Fire of Charcoal made with Cocoa-nut Shells—It will therefore be good to try the Experiment—He will go away & do so, & bring it to me shortly—

He returns in about 3 Hours with the Paper slightly scorched & having a Writing in reddish Characters, (which have evidently been executed with Lime Juice) as follows:

'I dont know who inquire of my Health and I know who is this in my be have beloved friend but I was now is very well and I resident in the town of Candy but I hope that you will make Possible favors to the bearer of this letter.

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The Priest states, That the Boy who brought it has a sore in his Foot, & could not come, & the Ola which accompanied it, he has left in the Sinna K.—

Without giving away any Intimation, that I discredit the Writing, (which the Handwriting, the Style, & Purport evidently show to be a Forgery) bid him bring the Ola which accompanied it, & the Messenger who brought it—

Sept. 28th.—The Malay Mohm. attends & informs,

That a Priest of Asgiri Wihara, whom he knew before in Kandy, but does not know his Name, came to him yesterday, & stated, That he was come to Colombo by desire of the Son of the late Pilima Talawuwe

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1st. Adikar, to say, that he designed to make his Escape to Colombo, & wished to know, how he would be received—He added that the English Gentleman had died at Ampitiya of Sickness, about 10 days before the Perahera—He had heard so, but did not state it for certain—

29th.—Wanduragala Unnanse, of 7 K., but belonging to Asgiri Wihara attends & states,

That he came to Colombo to see the Malay Mohm. by desire of the Son of the late Pilima Talawuwe 1st. Adikar, to enquire what Reception he should meet with here, because he designed to come away to Colombo—He is now without any Office or Honour, & residing at Kattota Walawuwe—

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Octr. 4th.—Marasana Unnanse (Vide Septr. 27th.) attends & produces the Ola, which is without Signature, but purports to be written by Udumulle Nilame Rale to the Priest & stating,

That the Paper which is brought, must be scorched, till the Letters appear. That Major Dewi is living in Kandy in Dalada Widiya in a House on the Border of the Weywa at the bottom of the Garden belonging to the Wahala of Katchi Nayaka Dewiyo, that 6 Men & Women of the Gabadawa are on Duty in the House, & 12 of Gampola Naranwita without. There is no Order to take Papers to that House. Therefore it is good that you, should destroy this Paper without shewing to any one, after looking at it—Have done this, because you told me, but it is not a Thing done regarding his Life—Therefore you must not let any one see the Writing—It appeared in this Paper—only, How is your Health, Where are you residing?—

He informs, That this Ola was brought concealed in a large Aggala, the Paper open—One Priest his Disciple went with the Lad to Kandy, another came back with him—

The Boy also attends, & states,

That he has lived with the Priest, about 3 Months, ever since he came

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from Kandy—now about 3 Months—& he has been living Was in his Father's Garden at Parakandeniya—The Priest has now & then stayed a Day or 2 at the Pansala where he lived Was last Year, but has not lived there this—About 2 Months ago he went to Kandy with the Priest, to his Temple near Kandy—& went to the House of the Priest's Neyndamma, where the Nilame-rale, who is called Mohottale, lives—Again he went to Kandy with a Priest, called Kuda Unnanse a few Days ago. He carried some Karawala, Umbala Kada, & Sugar—to the Nilame-rale's House, & brought back some Aggala & Bulat Puwak. He neither carried, nor brought back any kind of Writing—He was laid up with a sore Foot & his Brother came to Colombo with the Priest last Saturday Sennight—The Priest has not been to his Village since—but his Brother came back with a Message saying, that he must come—

Informed Marasana Unnanse, that I have sufficient Grounds for discrediting the Paper Writing which he brought—& unless he can explain to me in what manner the Fraud of that Paper has been committed, he need never come to me again—

He protests by his holy Religion, that he is entirely ignorant—

Octr. 7th.—Induruwege Paolo (Vide Septr. 5th.) attends & informs, That there is no News whatsoever in Kandy—Delivered to him the Letter (No. 101) to be delivered to the Disawe of Korle tune with my best Compts. & instructed him to say, that I hope he will not take Offence at the Delay in answering his Ola, & that in future a more speedy Answer will be given—

.. 7th.—Mastangalaya, of attends & states,

That there is no News whatsoever in the Kandyan Country—except that an Order has been given by the Disawe of the 3 Korles,—since Sunday Sennight—that no Priest or other Person, who is not known may pass over the River at Palan-gomuwa Watte from hence, without first obtaining leave from the Disawe—Preparations had been made some time ago for the 1st. Adikar to go from

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Octr. 9th.—Wattala Appu attends with Andarapane Mohm.—& states, That he hears the younger Eyheylepola Disawe of the Ihala dolos Pattu, is not yet returned from Kandy—

Andarapane Mohm. delivers to me the Ola (No. 102.) from Pusweylle Disawe of the Pahala dolos P., who gave him Instructions to desire his best Compts., & state, That all the Articles which I sent, were sealed & sent off to Maha Gabada Nilame in his presence for the English Gentleman—That himself was going to Kandy soon, & would then accomplish the Affair of the English Gentleman—He further states, That Narandeniya Vidan who went in charge of the Articles to Kandy is not returned, & he has not learnt, what afterwards became of them in Kandy—The Scarcity still continues in the 7 K. & many Persons die by Sickness & for want of Food—They bring Paddy upon Bullocks from Matale & the 4 K. where it is purchased at 16 Pice for 1 Peyla, but the Quantity does not exceed 2 or 3 Cornies—

Himself has a Quantity of Paddy in store, & shall feel no Want for another Year. The People are now sowing Bala Wie & Kurakkan & Fine Grains, & the Country will again flourish, in 3 or 4 Months, if they have a favourable Season.—A Bullock exchanges for about 3 Peyla (6 Ps.) of Paddy, & a Buffaloe for 1 Ammm.—

Octr. 16th.—Andarapane Mohm. again attends—Delivered to him a Letter (No. 103) to be presented to Pusweylle Disawe, with my best Compts., & with Thanks for his Kindness in forwarding the Articles to the English Gentleman—

Octr. 17th.—Weda Mohm. of Fisher Cast, of in the 4 K., & Udugama Aratchy of Do. attend & state, That they are come with a Message from the Disawe of the 4 Korles now in Kandy, requesting me to assist them in recovering a Debt from Mihidien Baba, a Moorman, who had a Tavellam

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Bid them come to the Cutcherry on Monday, where their Complaints should *investigated—

.. 20th.—Dispatched 2 Appuhs. of the Guard Wani-
gesury mudiyansele Don Andries Appuhy. &
Kuruwita aratchyge Don Jeronis Appuhy., both of
Mulhriyawa with Letter (No. 104) to be delivered
to Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar now resident at Saffra-
gam—

Gave them RD. 25 for Expences of their Journey—

.. 22d.—Peyniheyala Dingyrale (Vide June 30th.)
attends & informs,

That after leaving Colombo last
time, he remained 10 or 12 Days in his Village &
then went to Kandy where he remained about 2
Months on Govt. Service—He went twice to the
English Gentleman who is now residing at Wata-
pana—the 1st. time he went with Suppu a Maduwe
Appu—he went into the Gentleman's Room, but he
bid him go away, & turned him out, & could not
even deliver the Paper which he recd. from hence—
He returned to Kandy & applied to the Dutchman,
& gave him the Paper, & accompanied him to
Watapana 2 or 3 Days after: when the Dutchman
went in & he saw the Paper delivered—The Dutch-
man told him, that he could give no Answer now,
but would afterwards—because he was afraid, on
acct. of the Detection of the Letter 7 or 8 Months
ago—He understands, a Maduwe Appu named
Ukkurale, formerly of Saffragam, but who resided
in the 7 Korles, was detected in bringing a Letter
from the English Gentleman—& thereupon him-
self, & the Dutchman who was a Washerman of
Colombo & understood Languages & Painting
Work, & Lala Brahman, & Alakka a Malabar,

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were all removed from Kandy, & supposed to be put to Death—It is now about a Month that he returned from Kandy, & has been sick in his Village—He thinks he shall be able to bring a Writing from the Dutchman in Kandy, & is sure he shall be able, if he receives a Note from hence—

23d.—Gave to Peyniheyala Dingyrale a diminutive Paper, to be delivered to the Dutchman in Kandy, inscribed as follows:

'How is Major Davie's Health?
Where is he now residing?

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He promises to bring an Answer in 20 Days—

Octr. 26th.—Awusadahamy of Talawitiya, attends & informs,

That Warigama Basnayake Nilame again desired his best Compts., & instructed him to say, that there was scarcely a Means left for them to remain in the Country on acct. of the Injustices committed—There had been a *Practice in very antient times, of taking to the King the Property of a Deceased Chief—but it had been long forbidden by former Kings—It was now 4 or 5 Months since the Decease of Eylapata Nilame—The Adikar at first caused to be brought for himself a Chest containing Valuables to the Worth of 7,000 or 8,000 Pagodas--& took Possession of Eylapata's Garden near Batugedara, called Balibattota W. contg. 2,000 Cocoanut Trees—He afterwards sent for 2 or 3 more Boxes of Valuables, but because the Lama etanin objected to part with them, the Adikar wrote to Kandy Information that 2 or 3 Lac Worth of Property belonging to the Deceased were concealed—An Order came down from Kandy with 8 Katubulle Lascorins—who were sent with Kiriporuwe now Walawuwe Mohottale, Walandure late Walawuwe Mohottale & 2 other Chiefs to Eylapata Walawuwe at†
Hetekma from Batugedere—They went there at Night, & communicated the King's Order to take account of

* Marála.

† Elapáta, about five miles from Batugedara.

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all the Property—& advised the Widow, with 3 Daughters & 1 adopted Son to leave the House—They retired to the neighbouring House of Wedarale, but were denied to take with them even a Bag of Rice for their Food—Guards were placed over the House that Night & the next Morning all the Property was brought forth—& account taken. There were 2500 Boxes altogether, & an immense Quantity of Iron Tools—There were 5 Kankans Servants in the Family, who were brought to the Maha Wadiya, & put to the Torture by hanging them up by the Hands, with Weights, putting red Hot Udalū under the Feet, & to their Breast, & flogging to produce Discovery of Concealed Property & in this manner 3 or 4 Jars of buried Property & Cash were brought to Light. The Property was all remaining still in the Walawuwe, detained on the King's Account—Warigama Nilame said, The same would happen to himself, when he died, & therefore he wished to know our Wishes & Intentions, which he was ready to obey, & he was sure, if a Detachment came, that every Man would come & appear—He also added with respect to the English Gentleman, that after the Malay Mohm. came away, they got Intelligence in Kandy, that he was coming up to rescue him whereupon he was brought up to Kandy, lodged in a private House, & fell sick—his Body becoming very much swelled. He died in Kandy about 30 days after & his Body was removed privately the same Night out of Kandy no one knows whither—& it was forbidden to speak about him.

Eknelligode Kodituwakku Nilame also desired his Compts., was very indignant at the Seizure of Eylapata's Property, & said, That he had rather the English should come & take it, than that it should fall to the King—The People were still taking Account of the Property of the late Eylapata, when he came away—All the People of Saffragam K. are dissatisfied with the 1st. Adikar. He collects a great Quantity of Provisions, which the Head Men bring to present, upon their Appearance besides the daily regular Contributions for the Supply of his Table, & the Maintenance of his Attendants, from Kandy, who will amount to 50 Persons—Every 8 or 10 Days, he sends 10 or 12 Coolies Load of Provisions, & Momaties & Iron

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Works, & Boxes to his own Walawuwe at Kosiinna in the 4 Korles, where his Wife resides—About 50 Men are exercising daily in the Morning but not in the Evening. The Drums beat at 6 o'clock A.M. & they all assemble—They are drilled by a Brahmana of Saffragam named Latchamana—

27th.—Awusadahamy again attends—Instructed to give my best Compts. to the 2 Nilames & to thank them for their Communications, & to say, That I can at present give them no Hopes that an English Detachment will proceed from hence, & therefore it is advisable that they should remain quiet—

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Monday 2d.—Tamby Modr. informs,

That he has recd. Information, in a manner deserving of Credit, That Major Davie is living in Health in Gagala Pattu, a recluse & very Hilly Country little frequented— & situated, he believes, between Matale & Dumbura—

He has recd. the same Account from 2 different Persons, but not heard it from any one, who had seen him—If he can receive a Bit of Paper, he will endeavour to have it conveyed.—

4th.—Arambepola Mohm. (Vide) attends & informs,

That he has been compelled to *abandoned his Country, & fly here for Refuge—For a considerable time after he came to Columbo requesting Assistance, Things passed on well, in the time of Unambuwe 2d. Adikar; & of Pusweylle Nilame. Upon the Arrival of the latter, himself as well as the other Head Men went & appeared, & after remaining at the Wadiya several Days, he obtained Leave to go to his Village on acct. of Sickness—Some time after, 3 or 4 Messengers came, requiring his Appearance, which he avoided by pleading Sickness. About 20 Days ago Messengers were sent, & carried before Pusweylle Nilame

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a Man named Panaliya Vidan, known to be attached to the late Pilima Talawuwe, but charged with no other Crime that is known. He was immediately bound, & sent off a Prisoner to Kandy, & is since reported to have been impaled—16 Days ago, some Messengers came, requiring his Attendance before Pusweylle Nilame—He was forced to obey & accompanied them—It is one Day's Journey only, a Distance of 3 Leagues, but pretending Sickness he delayed on the Road. He came with them 2 Days, & on the 2d. made his Escape from their Custody, & went to his Relations at Weytewya, & designed to return to his own, to provide himself with some Rice & Provisions; But he learnt that Guards had already been placed there; & fled into the 4 K. & remained concealed 8 Days at the Temple of Lendramulla in Beligal K.—The Priests of the Temple then informed him, that they had heard, Olas were sent to the 4 K., & Orders given for apprehending him, & they were fearful of concealing him longer—He therefore came away by private Paths to Bottala in Hapitigam K., & from thence in 4 days to Colombo—

He does not know the Specific Guilt of which he is accused; but has heard, it had been whispered agt. him, that about 4 Years ago, he had gone to Colombo & a foreign Country to bring a Prince for Kandy (a very false Accusation, for about that period he only went * *ශ්‍රී පාදෙ වදින්න*) & that last Year he went to Colombo for the purpose of bringing Detachments into the Kandyan Country—He has now no Means of returning to his Village & requests Assistance for his Livelihood here, inasmuch as he has no Aid from any other Quarter—It he were assured of Assistance, he would go to the Limits, & contrive to bring away his Wife & Children—

Novr. 5th.—Ola from Don Andries & Don Joronis Appuhs—Bearers of my Letter to the 1st. Adikar—Dated Novr. 3d. 1812—Informing, that according to the Orders they recd. they proceeded to the Limit at Hitawaka on Thursday Octr. 22d. in the Evening about 2 Hours after dark—& stopped there—Afterwards on Friday, the People on Guard

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came & enquired, Whether we were bearing this Letter to Kandy or to Sabaragomuwa?—We replied, It is not a Letter for Kandy; You must acquaint Maha Nilame very speedily, that 2 Mudiyanse are Waiting here, having brought a Letter from the great Disawe of Colombo to be delivered to Pallegam pahe Maha Nilame—Immediately the Hewaya departing, came to our Residence on Wednesday the 28th. in the Morning, told us the Message, that it was the Order of Maha Nilame (for us) to Wait, till he sent Nilames—Whilst we remain in this Manner, Kiriporuwe Walawuwe Mohottiralahamy & Kuruwitekande Korle Mahatmaya, who had recd. Order from Maha Nilame, about 2 o'clock on Tuesday the 3d. of this Month; with these 2 Persons we proceeded on the 3d. of Novr.—(Signed) Don Andries & Don Joronis—

- “ 5th.—Delivered to Tamby Modr. 2 small Notes, which he will attempt to have conveyed to Major D.—inscribed as follows: How is your Health?
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The other dated Novr. 5 1812—

- “ 7th.—Ahugoda Unnanse attends & delivers an Ola, with which he states, he was entrusted by Pilima Talawuwe Son of the late Adikar, who is now Diyawadana Nilame, & is residing in the Walawuwe of Kapuwatte Disawe, his Father's 1st. Cousin—

He recd. this Ola 6 Days ago at this House in Kandy, & was further desired to state to me, That he had made Enquiry & learnt, that the English Gentleman was now residing at the Village Eykiri-yagala in Pansiya P. near Meyda Maha Nuwere, beyond Rambukkeyle & Teldeniya—He had brought to Kandy about 15 Days before his (the Priest's) last Journey to Colombo, from Dumbara, in consequence of Reports, that the Malay Mohm. had been travelling about to Jaffna & other Places —& the Dutchman had been put to Death, & Lala had sent away & confined at Binteynna—That the Disawe would be able to procure a Letter from the Gentleman, after the Priest returned in about 15

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Days—2d. That there were some Reports of an Ambassador coming from Colombo, & others of a Detachment coming; & in the latter Event Orders had been given not to interrupt the Progress of our Troops, nor fire upon them. But the King would retire from Kandy, & wait to surround them afterwards, as on the former Expedition—3dly. That he the Disawe was at present living in great Want & Distress—The 3 Matters only the Disawe directed him to communicate & said, that the rest would appear in the Ola—

„ 10th.—Ahugoda Unnanse again attends & states—in addition, That the Disawe Pilima Talawuwe said, he was in much distress & in debt to a Moorman, & in want of Money—

Instructed him to tell the Disawe Pilima Talawuwe, That if he pleases to come to this Country, he will be treated with the respect due to his Rank.—And that if he will bring a Token from the English Gentleman, he shall be handsomely rewarded—

Novr. 10th.—Mudelyhamy, formerly of Makaddala, 4 K. attends & produces the Note dated Novr. 4th. & a Pencil, which he received from Tamby Modr. to attempt to convey to the English Gentleman—He went not long ago to the Village Waragoda in Udunuwera, & there met with a Person named Wirasekerage Mohm., formerly a Kankan in the House of the late Ratwatte Nilame, & now transferred to the Gabadawa—who informed, that the English Gentleman is now residing at the Village Weraweylle in Gangala Pattu, to which a Road lies either through Matale or Dumbara—& that himself had been there upon Duty about 20 Days before—& that he could bring a Letter from the Gentleman—He only wanted an Uramawa—His Intention therefore is to convey the Papers now recd. by means of this Kankan—& he requests Expenses—

Gave him RD. 4—

„ 11th.—Induruwege Paolo of Orta Seda (Vide Octr. 7th. 1812) attends & informs,

That he delivered my Letter to the Disawe of 3 Korles, who at first told

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him to wait for days, saying that when any News arrived, he would write to acquaint me—but he now desired him to state, that I must not be displeased at his Delay in Writing, for he had now much Business.—He has brought down some Areka Nuts for sale. Eyheylepole the Brother's Son of the Adikar, & Disawe of the Ihala dolos P. 7 Korles, has died lately in Kandy, of Sickness, & his Wife also—and it is said, that the Office would be conferred on the younger Molligoda—It was also reported, that the 1st. Adikar Eyheylepola would be dismissed, & the elder Molligoda Disawe of the 4 K. appointed to succeed him—An Ola has also come down to the Disawe of the 3 K., directing him to observe & report to the King, all the Motions of the Appuhs. who go from hence with Letters, the time of their Arrival, & their Stay at the Limits, & Departure & Return—

12th.—The 2 Appuhs. dispatched Octr. 20th. with my Letter to the 1st. Adikar at Saffragam return, & deliver the following written Report of their Mission:

Having recd. Orders from your Honour & proceeded in Charge of the Letter we arrived at the Limits of Hitawaka on Thursday Octr. 22d. at about 2 Hours after Dark, & stayed there. Afterwards on Friday the Murakarayo coming enquired, whether we were carrying this Letter to Kandy or to Sabaragomuwa? We replied, It is not a Letter which we carry to Kandy. You must very speedily inform Maha Nilame, that Mudiyañsela are waiting here having brought a Letter from the great Disawe of Colombo to deliver to Pallegampahē Maha Nilame of Sabaragomuwa—Immediately the Hewaya departing, on Wednesday the 28th. in the Morning, coming to the Place where we resided, told us the Message, that it was the Order from Maha Nilame to remain until Nilames were sent. Whilst we are remaining in that manner several Days, on the 3d. of this Month Kiriporuwe Walawuwe Mohottirale & Kuruwitikande Korle Mahatmaya having arrived & proceeded with us, we rested at Keyndangomuwa Gamagedara, with Couches & Eytirili (Spread Cloths)—Proceeding the next Day, when we arrived at Mudd'huwa,

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*Mutte Korle Mahatmaya of †Nawadul Korle, coming to meet us, & proceeding with us having lodged us at Hakamuwe Gamagedara, provided & furnished the Expences (Provisions) which are given—On Thursday the 5th. at about 2 Hours after Dark 2 Nilames having come, as they were proceeding with us to the Place where Maha Nilame resides, we went to Demuwata Kadawata on the other Side of the River & stopped there. And again 2 Nilames came & proceeded with us. Thus going, whilst we wait near the Walawuwe, again 2 Nilames arriving whilst we are proceeding with them, Guards bearing Muskets, Swords, Kastanas stood arranged in 2 Rows: Upon going from thence to the Weyli Maluwa (Sand Court) the Disawe Mohottirale, & Basnayaka Nilame & Kodituwakku Nilame & Atapattu Nilame & several other Nilames with them were standing—Basnayaka Nilame, having proceeded with us into the Walawuwe, when we delivered the Letter, (the Adikar) enquired, 'Who delivered this Letter?'—We said, that the great Disawe of Colombo had sent it—Again he enquired, 'Where did he dispatch this Letter?' We replied, It was dispatched at the Residence of the great Disawe—Next he enquired, 'At the time of delivering this Letter how was the Health of the great Disawe of Colombo?'—We stated, that we had been instructed to state, that at the time of delivering this Letter he was in good Health—He then said, 'You must acquaint the great Disawe of Colombo, that I am gratified at hearing in our presence, that the great Disawe of Colombo is living in Health without any Vexation of Body or Mind—Again he told us to go to our Wadiya & wait until we received a second Message—Having gone in that Manner whilst we are residing, on Saturday the 7th. in the Evening 2 Nilames having come to proceed a 2d. time to the Maha Wadiya, as they proceeded with us; upon going to the Maha Wadiya with the same Form as the first time, (the Adikar) said, 'You must inform, that I also have attained to great Delight & Satisfaction, that the great Disawe of Colombo has sent to enquire after my Health & Welfare—On the 8th.

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in the Morning, the same 2 Nilames who had come to go with us, came & conducted us away—Written & signed by Wanigasuri Mudiyanselage Don Andries Appuhy. & Kuruwiti Aratchyge Don Joronis Appuhy. Novr. 1812—

They further relate, That they recd. Intelligence, that the Brother's Son of the Adikar, Disawe of the Ihala dolos P. 7 K. is dead, & there was a Report, that Molligoda Disawe of the 4 Korles, was to be appointed to the Disawany of Saffragam instead of the Adikar—Provisions were dear & not very plentiful, but a great Quantity of Land had been sown—

12th.—Andarapane Mohm. attends & delivers the Ola (No. 105) from Pusweylle Disawe of the *Ihala dolos P. 7 K. with his best Compts. He was instructed merely to enquire after my Health, & to ask, whether a Rana girawa (Golden Parrot) had not been brought, as he heard Ships were arrived at Colombo—

Andarapane Mohm. further informs, That himself went to Kandy with my Letter last time, some persons of the Atapattu bearing an Ola from the Disawe to the High Steward. They were both delivered to the High Steward—& Himself after staying 3 Days in Kandy returned to the 7 K.—The Ola which he now delivers was brought to the Disawe from Kandy 5 Days ago, & he was dispatched with it the following Day—He has seen Naran-deniya Vidan, who was dispatched with the Things for the English Gentleman. He related that they were presented to the King & sent to the English Gentleman without any Deficiency.—

Whilst in Kandy this time he learnt, that the English Gentleman had been brought there from Dumbara, & was residing at Kora Wahalkada—He was told that the King is accustomed to go in a Boat upon the Tank, & the English Gentleman goes in a Catapinell with 2 other Men, & at intervals in different Parts of the Tank, fires Pistols for the King's Amusement—The younger Eyheylepola Disawe of the Upper Part of the 7 K. died in Kandy, a Day or 2 after he left it of Sickness called Kola Sanni—& it is said, will be succeeded by the

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Younger Molligoda—The Decd. Eyheylepola was about 20 Years of Age—was married to a Daughter of Eyllpola, & has left 1 Child—

A great Extent of Land has been sown in the 7 Korles, & people are still sowing Dahanala, which is called 2 Months Paddy & it is said to ripen in 40 Days—

Novr. 15th.—Andarapane Mohm. again attends—Delivered to him the Letter (No. 106) to be conveyed to Pusweylle Disawe with my best Compts.—& instructed him to say, that no Rana girawa had arrived in these Ships, but I had not forgotten his Wish, & would send one as soon as it could be procured—

Wattala Appu also informs,

That he has heard from Persons of the Gabadawa, who came to Colombo 4 or 5 Days ago, that the English Gentleman is residing in Kandy at the Kora Wahalkada—Makula Mohm., a Moorman, Madige Disawe of the 7 K., he hears, is just come to Colombo with Cattle, to buy Venetians & other Gold Coins—

.. 15th.—Punchyrale Kiribatkumbura attends & informs,

That Weragama or Arambepola Mohm. is gone towards the Limits with the View of being able to bring away some of his Property, & his Family—The Malay Mohm. has lately come to him 2 or 3 times, & desired him to go & bring Timbiri-game Appu, & has desired him to accompany him with a few Malays into the Kandyan Country—But he is very unwilling to join with them in any Expedition of that Kind—He thinks however, that any Number of them less than 20 might go to Kandy unperceived, travelling by Night—either by the 7 K. or 4 Korles—Sanchy Appu of Dalugam has returned 5 or 6 Days ago from the 4 K., & informed that he has seen Jatuwa, (a slave of Kaluweylle Gurunnanse of 4 K., & who was 3 or 4 Years ago engaged in the Plan with Lonsappu & the Moorman of Tihara, for bringing away the English Gentleman, but his Name never came forward) Jatuwa informed, that the English Gentleman is now in Kandy, & he could bring him away to Alpiti Kanda.—

Novr. 16th.—Awusadahamy, of Talawitiya, attends (Vide
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That he is again sent with a Message from Warigama Nilame, who desired his Compts. 1000 times, & instructed him to inform me, That on account of the Injustices now committed, they have scarcely a Means of remaining in that Country. That he wished merely to have a Word from us, & he was ready to obey it, That if we desire it, the Conquest of that Disawany is the most easy Thing, excepting that we are not aware of it. That if any Misfortune or Adversity should befall himself from the Adikar, it was his Design to take Refuge in this Country & come to me, in which Case he hoped for my assistance & Protection—He further desired him to state, that he wanted a Watch, & would be glad, if I would send one—He said, he once had one, but gave it to a Man of Kaltara to have repaired, & never saw either the Watch or the Man since—

Eknelligoda Kodituwakku Nilame instructed him also to present his best Compts., & state, That it had been his Intention to write an Ola to me this time, informing the Injuries to which they were subjected. But as he was writing the Ola, a Bad'ha happened, (the Cry of a Huna) & he was doubtful, & desisted. He particularly requested however, that whatever he wrote, might never be disclosed to Maha Nilame—

There is no particular News in Saffragam—The Property of Eylepata Nilame under Sequestration—Galaboda Nilame who came from Kandy to the Adikar, had been employed by the Adikar to administer Medicine to Eylapata Nilame during his Illness, & had Opportunity of looking a little after his Property—This Man was afterwards sent by the Adikar with others to take Account of it, & is now gone to Kandy with the Account of all his Riches—

The Widow & Children of Eylapata in the Mean time are living upon Strangers, & 8 Persons were punished, & imprisoned by Maha Nilame, because their Wives dressed Victuals & spoke to them. The Day on which the 2 Apphs. from hence delivered the Letter, all the Head Men, & the People belonging to the Dewale were ordered to attend in

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their best Dresses—& about 150 Armed Soldiers attended—The Letter was sent to Kandy, & he has not heard yet of any Messengers about to be dispatched with an Answer—The younger Eyheylepole, Elder Brother's Son of the Adikar, died of Sickness in Kandy—A great Extent of Land is sown, but at present there is great Scarcity—A Medide of Rice in his Village is sold at 7 Pice—

NOV. 28th.—Induruwege Paolo of Ortaseda, attends & informs, That he left Ruwanweylle yesterday—Muttamagoda Disawe of 3 Korles, left Ruwanweylle for Kandy on Wednesday last; & Eyheylepole 1st. Adikar & Dis. of Saffragam, will arrive & sleep at the Rest House of Panawal (the first Village in the 3 Korles) this Evening, on his Way to Kandy—They are proceeding to Kandy in consequence of an Order from the King upon Occasion, as reported, of the approaching Marriage of the King with a new Wife—he knows not who—Mattamagoda Disawe of the 3 K. the Evening before his Departure, spoke to him, & desired his best Compts. many times to me, & instructed him to say, that hereafter even tho' he should continue no longer in his present Situation of Disawe of Korle tune, he would acquaint me with any Intelligence which reached him—There is no other News of any Kind—There is constant Rain in the Kandyan Country. The People have cut a little Kurakkan, but on account of the Perpetual Rain, the grain was not good—Another Crop of Kurakkan is now small—He expects a Pade with Areka Nuts, but the Price at Colombo is now very low, RD. 7 or 8 per Ammm.—

.. Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Dated Novr. 26th.—Informing, that in consequence of an Order from Kandy, the Disawe of Korle tune, departed from Ruwanweylle for Kandy on the 25th. & the Adikar, Disawe of Sabaragomuwa in consequence of a similar Order, is in readiness to proceed to Kandy—

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Tuesd. Decr. 1st.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Dated Novr. 30th.—Informing that he has learnt, that the Adikaram Ralahamy, Disawe of Separagomu,

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in consequence of an Order from the Great Gate, having departed from Batugedara in order to proceed to Kandy, on the 29th. of this Month arrived at the Tanayama of Kuruwita—& all the other inferior Head Men (Sulu Muladeyni) are all gone to Kandy—

„ Hanguramketa Unnanse attends & states,

That in consequence of Instructions from the Pol. Vidan of Mabola he has been travelling through various Parts of the Kandyan Country, endeavouring to discover the Residence of the English Gentleman—It is known to every one, that he was brought to Kandy from Gomagoda in Dumbara, that he resided some time at Palle Wahala was removed to Uda Peradeniya or Kotugodeylla, close to Kandy, & was sick. But whether he was removed from that Place no one knows—In search of him, he has passed through Matale, Hewaheyta, Dumbara, Meyda Maha Nuwara, Kotmale, Atabage, & Part of Walapana—but can hear nothing of him—He was only informed in a vague manner by one of his Relations in Kandy, that the English Gentleman had been carried towards Walapana—The Dutchman who killed the Fiscal of Colombo, is in Prison at Polkiriya in Matale (where himself saw him) on account of some offence unconnected with the English Gentleman—The other Dutchman is in good Health in Kandy—Lala a kind of Malabar Man has been put to Death on account of the Detection of a Letter—He is going again to Kandy, & will make further Enquiry & Search—

„ Peyniheyta Dingyrale (Vide Octr. 22d.) attends & relates,

That he proceeded to Kandy, & delivered the Note to the Dutchman. He is living under the Orders of Katchi Nayake & constantly going there & many People are always about him. He said, that at present he was under Displeasure, & was afraid to give a Letter in Answer, because in case of Detection he was ruined—He went to him a 2d. time, but he gave the same Reply, & said he would write a Letter afterwards, but could not then—He went once also with the Maduwe Appu Suppu to the Residence of the English Gentleman in Dumbara, but could not speak to him because 6 other Men were on Duty—

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(N.B. the former Part of this may be true—but the latter I believe to be a Falsehood.—)

The younger Molligoda has succeeded to the Disawany of the 7 K.—Pusweylle Nilame is still in the Pahala dolos P.—

„ 2d.—Wattala Appu attends & informs,

That a Jaggerero, who lives in the Walawuwe of Pusweylle Disawe is come to him with a Message, desiring him to come to him with some Fish properly prepared & salted to send to Kandy—He hears there is much Sickness, Fever & Dysentery in those Parts, & does not intend to go himself, but to send the Fish—He has seen within the last few Days 2 or 3 Persons from Kandy, who relate that the English Gentleman is living in Kandy near the Kora Wahalkada, & goes on the Lake, & fires Shots—

„ 2d.—Awusadahamy of Talawitiya (Vide Novr. 16th.) attends & informs,

That he is sent by Warigama Basnayaka Nilame to acquaint me with the Departure of Ehyeylepola 1st. Adikar from Saffragam on Sunday last on his Journey to Kandy—A Sannas had come down 3 Days before, summoning him to Kandy, & another 2 Days after requiring him to set off the next Day—with all the Head Men of the Korle.—On Sunday at 2 Hours after Day light he left the Tanayama of Batugedara, & proceeded in a Pade down the River to the Tanayama near the *Dewale, & took Refreshments there with his Attendants. He there addressed himself to Warigame Basnayaka Nilame, & said that the Enemy was near & the Korle close to the Limits, & it not being prudent to leave the Country without a Chief, he must remain, whilst Eknellegodu Kodituwakku Nilame, & the Atapattu Nilame & all the other Chiefs accompanied him—He delivered to him Charge of the Korle, & the Betge, & 4 Kodituwakku, & charged him to acquaint him instantly with any Intelligence from Colombo—

The Adikar left Batugedera & proceeded to Kuruwita that Evening, which is near the Walawuwe of Eknelligoda Nilame—This Nilame attended the Rest house with Provisions, & after returning in the Evening, instructed him (Awusadahamy) to

* Sabaragamu Maha Saman Déwálé.

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desire his best Compts. to me, & say, that as he was going to Kandy, he should be able to gain every Intelligence, & would send me Word—It was said that the Cause of their Journey was a Kara beyndi Mangalya (King's Nuptials). Others said, the King's Sickness, but as yet he did not know—& he instructed him Awusadahamy to come to him in Kandy, if he failed to return in 15 Days—The Adikar remained at Kuruwita the whole of Monday—Himself set off thence on Tuesday Morning (yesterday) leaving the Adikar there—He heard the Firing of Guns yesterday, & supposes the Adikar must have proceeded that Day to the Tanayama of Panawal—The Sequestration on the Property of the younger Sister of Eylapata Nilame, the Widow of Delwala Nilame, & on the Property of Delgoda Nilame the Brother of the Lama etanin of the late Eylapata (& also of the Wife of the late Leuke Disawe) was removed 2 or 3 Days before the Adikar's Departure & the Property restored to them—The 4 Children of Warigama Nilame were presented to the Adikar the Day before his Departure, each with 4 Pags. in his Hand, & the Adikar's Protection to them was requested—The Adikar conferred on the Eldest the Office of Mohandiram of the 4 Kadawata (the Guard Posts at the Limits of Uwa, Geytaheyte & 2 other near Nambapana) & gave to the 3 others a Golden Chain each—The Wedibetge is situated in the Jungle near Batugedere Tanayama & contains Gunpowder—Philippu pulle & the other Chitties are deprived of the Areka Rent of Saffragam & are indebted on that Account 150 Pags. for which 2 of them have been put in Chains—The Rent has been delivered to Wapu Moorman & the Liyana Aratchy of Matura—These 2 the last time they came to Colombo, carried to the Adikar a handsome Cabinet of Calamander, with numerous small Drawers of Sandal within—The Adikar has taken it as a present for the King.

3d.—Awusadahamy again attends—Instructed him to present my best Compts. to Warigama & Eknelligoda Nilames—& in case the latter failed to return in 15 Days, to proceed to Kandy to learn Intelligence & acquaint Eknelligoda Nilame, that it is my Wish to obtain every Information with respect to the English Gentleman—

Decr. 6th.—Godamunne Appu attends & informs,
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That he has recd. an Ola from the Priest who was employed by him to seek Intelligence, informing, as stated by the Keyley Korlaya residing in Dumbara, that the English Gentleman was residing at Gamegedara in the Village Ambatela near Meyda Maha Nuwara—

.. 7th.—Wattala Appu attends & informs,

That he hears Pusweylle Disawe of the Pahala dolos P. 7 Korles, is gone to Kandy, & all the other Kandyan Chiefs—

Decr. 20th.—Arambepole Mohm. attends & informs, That since his first Arrival at Colombo, he went to Maha bottele in Hapitigam K., where he has Acquaintance & a Distant Relation, called Bottele Wibadderale—From thence he sent a Man to his Village () to enquire,

what had happened—& learnt, that all his Property had been sealed, & one Bissa with 4 or 5 Amms. of Paddy only given to his Wife & his 3 small Female Children for their present Subsistence. He has no means of returning to his Country, unless with Assistance from hence—& he requests Assistance to live here—It is now about 23 Days since he left Bottele—The Disawe of the Pahala dolos P. was not then gone to Kandy, but he hears, he is gone since, as well as the 1st. Adikar from Suffragam—They did not go, till Katya Pujawa was past. It is said, they are gone to celebrate a *Kara beyndi Mangalya—

Informed him, that he shall receive a little for his present Expenses, but he must not expect to enjoy a Salary from Govt.—He must seek some Means of Subsistence, either by Trade, or by Cultivation of Land—or must endeavour to have Rice & Provisions brought from his Village & his Relations—

.. 22d.—Godamunne Appu attends & informs, That having recd. several Messages from Kawudumunne Mohottale, (with whom he was before well acquainted) to meet him, he proceeded to Loluwa-goda, & after receiving 2 or 3 Messages of

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Invitation, by which he swore by Dalada wahanse not to betray him, he proceeded to Kawadumunne, which is 3 Heytakma distant from the Maha Oye beyond Meyddepala—He was shut up in a Room & continued there 4 Days; during which Messengers came from Kandy with Orders to the Mohottale to prepare the Rest house at Ahugoda, & to send Coolies, because the Disawe, a new Disawe, the 2d. Adikar Unambuwe was coming down again—All the other Disawes were coming down also, & the younger Molligoda was appointed Disawe of the Ihala dolos P. 7 Korles—The Mohottale gave him an Ola addressed to me, which he produces—

The Ola purports, That when the English came, he appeared before the General,* & Aspanti Nilame at Dambadeniya, & supplied Provisions; that Kandegedara Mohottale & Udumulle Mohottale made War by desire of Pilima Talawuwe Adikar. That he can now also serve the English—And that there is another Matter—The Appu (Son) of Kapugammahalage came & told him, that an English Gentleman, who was taken Prisoner is residing at Kapugammahalaye Gedera, at Wela-goma, in Meyda Maha Nuwara—

Written with great Friendship by †Kawudunne Walisundara Mudiyanseelage Punchappu Mohottale of Otara Pattuwa—No Signature—

Decr. 29th.—Sinna Samy Raja & his younger Brother Aya Samy—who arrived at Colombo from Nagapatnam about Months ago, having expressed a Desire, & sent frequent Messages to hold Conference with me, attend by Appointment—

Sinna Samy recounts the Misfortunes of his Family in the Service of the British Govt., how his 2 Elder Brothers Buddhasamy & Kandusamy both went to Kandy with the English,‡—taken Prisoners at the same time & beheaded—He urges his Request for an equitable Division of the Pension, & states, That since his Removal from Jaffna, he has positively recd. no Part whatsoever of the Pension of 100 Pags.—& has been under

* † Macdowal.

† Sic.

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the Necessity of contracting Debts, & is in fear of his Creditors—He has no Lands nor Property on the Coast, nor had his Father. It is not the Custom for Persons of his Family (the Royal Family) to possess Lands; which belong only to Goyas or Cultivators—His Father was born on the Coast at Ramnad, but came early to Kandy, & all his Children were born in Kandy—His (Sinna Samy's) 3 Sisters were married to the late King Rajadhi—But prior to this, he had a first Wife, not the Brother's Daughter of Wengada Perumal Nayaker, the present King's Father, but a distant Relation—& the Daughter of Nanammal. At first Objections were made to her Coming, & Wengada Perumal Samy went & brought her from the Coast—The present King is married to 2 own Daughters of Gampala Dewiyo, now living in Kandy—The Father of Gampala Dewiyo, called Aligiri Nayaker, & the Father of Kirttisri were own Brothers—Gampala Dewiyo has also a Son living—

There are 2 Sons of the present King's Mother's Sister living in Kandy—the eldest's name he does not know, the youngest is called Muddal Samy—

A few Months ago he heard from some Malabars who arrived on the Coast from Kandy, that his (Sinne Samy's) Brother Ramasamy is now living in Kandy, & had lately married a Malabar Woman, by the Assistance of Muddal Samy. He never thinks of corresponding with him, because it would expose him to Danger—Since his Arrival at Colombo, he has been under the necessity of contracting a debt of RD. 600 & requests pecuniary Assistance—He has been sick for some time past, & the first Health he has seen is to-day on seeing me—

Informed him, That H. E. the Governor has taken into Consideration all they have stated, but does not think proper to make any Decision regarding the Division of the Pension, until he can ascertain the Original Intention of Govt. when the Pension was granted, & has seen the Documents stated to be in possession of the Widow, & heard her Objections & has the whole Case before him. But in the mean time it is unnecessary for them to

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remain at Columbo, & I believe, the Govr. will not be satisfied, that they should remain much longer. But as soon as the Govr. receives an Answer from Lusignan & from the Widow of Buddusamy, he will decide according to Justice, & give Order for an equitable Division of the Pension—

Sinna Samy replies, That he is ashamed to return to his Relations on the Coast, without obtaining his Request, & it is better that he should remain at Colombo—

To say the Truth, he is so involved in Debt both here & on the Coast, that he does not know; how to escape from his Creditors—He has no other Friend, but me. He considers me as his Brother, & relies on my Protection—

Decr. 29th.—Kaluwa, Yakadura, a Wahumpuraya, of Kehelpennela, 4 K. attends, being sent with a Boy, by the Ja Mohm. & states,

That he is come to Colombo, with a message from the Son of the late Pilima Talawuwe, Eyheylapole 1st. Adikar & Molligoda Nilame, to state, That they are under the King's Displeasure, are in danger of their Lives, but have no Means of making their Escape to this Country. They did not say expressly, what they requested from us, but implied, that they wanted Assistance & Forces—They have confidential Persons about them, but there are others who cannot be trusted, & they cannot rely altogether *Forces & Resources—For if they fail, they have no Means of escaping—The Son of Pilima Talawuwe is living in Kapuwatte Walawuwe with his Step Mother. He enjoys the Office of Diyawadana Nilame—Eyheylepole Nilame & Molligoda Nilame are in Disgrace—& the latter was lately ordered to be beheaded, for neglecting his Duty in sending Men for Service, but the Order was recalled—Pusweylle Nilame, & all the other Chiefs are in Kandy—They were summoned up, not for a †Kara beyndi Mangalya as reported, but to superintend the Repairs of Dumbara Weywa, (a Lake made for pleasure by former Kings)—Before the Chiefs came up, the King went thither, & cast a little

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Earth at the Neykat & nothing further has yet been done—All the People are disaffected to the King & in fear of him—Of the two Mampitiya Bandara Mahatmayo (Sons of Kirttisri by a *Yakada Doli, the Youngest died of Sickness 6 or 7 Months ago. The Eldest was beheaded at Hunukotuwa 8 or 10 Days—He does not know for what Crime, but it is commonly said, lest he should usurp the Kingdom (රජය ගනිති)—Himself was brought up in the House of Pilima Talawuwe—He was instructed to go first to the Ja Mohm. & then to come to me—He has no Proof of the Truth of what he states, except the Ja Mohm. who knows that he was brought up in the House of Pilime Talawuwe—

Informed him, That I recommend him to bring some Proof of the Truth of his Mission. In the mean time, he must present my best Compts. to the 3 Nilames from whom he came, & state my Advice, & Recommendation, that in as much as the People are disaffected, they should accomplish, by their own Adherents, & the People of the Country, any Thing which they consider necessary for their own Safety—

.. 29th.—Having instructed Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale to find out this Man & to converse with him, & discover the Truth of his Tale & inform me—

Punchyrale attends in the Evening & informs, That on his Way to Ja Mohm. he met Kaluwa in the Street—He is the Person, who once before came to Colombo with Seylawa Vidan now Deed. & was then pointed out to him, as a Person in his Confidence, whom he should employ, if Occasion required, in Secret Messages—He was brought up under Deyliwala Unnanse of Seylawa Wihara, & having learnt a little Sastra Neykata is called Yakadura. He was not brought up in the Walawuwe of Pilima Talawuwe, but must have been delivered to his Son by the above Priest, as a Confidential Person—

He said, that he had been sent by Pilima Talawuwe Bandara, with a Message to him (Punchyrale) not to the Malay Mohm. or to me) to ask counsel from

* Mampitiyá Duggapá Unnáná.

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him, whether it were advisable to eat Poision, or to wait a little longer?

Kaluwa, stated, That he (Pilima Talawuwe) was in fear of his Life, but had no means of escaping—

That himself would engage to conduct a Body of Men from hence to Alpity Kande (under which he resides at Kehelpennala), & 50 Men might be raised there—

He instructed Kaluwa to go & enquire what was become of the English Gentleman, & he promised to return in 10 Days—

Kaluwa stated also, That he knew a Priest had been sent by Paranatala Unnanse (Moratota Kuda Unnanse) pretending to bring a Message to me from Pilima Talawuwe Bandara Mahatmaya. But it was a false & deceitful Message, for he had & would employ no Priest (This must be Ahugoda Unnanse Novr. 7th.)—He believes the story of Kaluwa to be true. Paranatala Unnanse is attached to Pusweylle Nilame, & is at Enmity with Deyliwala Unnanse, who was a Friend of the late Pilima Talawuwe—In opposition to his Claims, he hears the Property of the late Moratota (valued at a Lak of RDr. deposited at Seylawā Wihara were given to Paranatala Unnanse—Whilst Pilima Talawuwe lived, this Property had remained under Charge of Deyliwala Unnanse, who had improved the Temple, & seemed to have the fairest Claim—Seylawā Wihara is at the extremity of the 4 K. & adjoining to Dolosbage in Udupalate, a remote & recluse Situation—Paranatala Unnanse is the Son of the late Moratota Nayaka Unnanse's elder Brother, & Deyliwala Unnanse the Son of his younger Sister—

Decr. 30th.—Ja Mohm. attends & states,

That Kaluwa went yesterday—He came to Colombo once before, & himself knew him in Kandy. He believes his story to be true—He hears, that Muddal Samy, the Son of the King's Maternal Aunt, & the younger Brother of the 2 has obtained Privilege which was never before granted, of going in his Palanquin within the Limits of the River—of which the other King's Relations are jealous—He is said to possess great Influence with the King. A few

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Months ago, a of the present King's Decd.
elder Sister (married to) was
married to a Muttal Samy's Sister
in Kandy—

He hears the King is now living in perpetual
Anxiety & Terror, & constantly moving from one
Place of Residence to another—

„ 30th.—Ola from S Dias Modr.—informing, that
he hears, the 1st. Adikar is in Prison in Kandy, &
that a Wahala Bandara, the Son by a Yakada Doli,
of the *King who died in consequence of a Fall
from his Horse, was put to death some Days ago.

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Jany. 4th.—Wattala Appu attends & informs,

That a Man, with
whom he was not before acquainted, came to him
from Pusweylle Disawe, with an Ola, desiring him
to bring to the Maha Oye, a good Horse, which is
much wanted for the King together with some
white Sheep skins, & Skin Strings for Tamboors
(Drums)—

He added, that 2 Horses, which had been sent
from hence had died, & others were sick and dis-
abled—He desired also a few Salt Fish to be
sent—& him Wattala Appu to come—The Man
would relate nothing regarding the Affairs of
Kandy—

There is so much Sickness in the 7 K. that
he has no Design of going at present—but he will
send a few Salt Fish—

The Ola is addressed to Wattala Appu, as follows:
'An exceedingly good Valuable Horse, is wanted
for the great Gate—If taking it in Charge, you
bring it yourself to the Ma Oye, it is very good.
Will send that Money to the Ma Oye in Pagodas.
Besides you must bring 60 white Eluhan (Sheep-
skins) & 60 Strings. Thus the Disawe of Dewa-
meydde, 7 Korles—'

Jany. 5th.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & informs,
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That a Washerman of his Acquaintance from Kandy, a Pedia, who furnishes Cloths for the Palace, is come to Colombo to buy Cloths—On enquiring, what is become of Lala, he said, he had been put to Death with one Matele Appu, on account of the Detection of an Ola. That the English Gentleman had been sent away, & that the general Report was, that he was not in Existence—

„ 6th.—Godamunne Appu attends & informs,

That he has seen some People of Alutnuwara, who relate, that Mampitiya Bandara having been ordered to be beheaded, 4 Nayakas interceded—Blame fell upon them, & they absconded, & are now sought for all over the Kandyan Country—

„ 8th.—A Kandyan Youth of 7 K. attends with Godamunne Appu, & informs,

That he is sent by Kaduruwelle Mohottale, with a Hakuru Poruwa, to give to Godamunne Appu for me, & to inform me, that Mampitiya Bandara had been beheaded not many Days ago, & a Mohm. & Kankan put to Death—He did not state the Cause of their Execution—

„ 10th.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & informs,

That he has lately met at Colombo an Acquaintance Wijayasekara Mohm. of Udunuwara, who was implicated in the blame of the Conspiracy 1½ Years ago, but escaped by paying 800 Ridi—He is come down with 400 Ridi to purchase Cloths for Iriyagama Nilame, Rata Mahatmeyya of Yatinuwara, whose Brother is Lekam of Udunuwara—He informed, that Lala & Matala Maduwe Appu, & the English Gentleman had been put to Death on account of an Ola detected—He added, that the People were waiting in Expectation of Detachment coming from hence—

Arambepola Mohm. is returned with some Rice, & a few other Things—He informed that he has been to his Village, & lay concealed in his House 3 days—

Jany. 14th.—Appu, of Ambanwala, in Udunuwere, attends & states,

That he was brought up in the Service of the Mampitiya Bandara, who formerly lived in Retirement at Mampitiya, but 3 or 4 Years ago, was brought to Kandy, to be received into the King's Favour & obtained the Office of Diyawadana Nilame of the Maligawa—Not long ago he was accused of writing, in conjunction with Eylllepola Nilame, secret Letters to Eyheylepola Nilame at Saffragam—Another Crime with which he was charged, was Incest with his Sister, of which the King had before warned him, but he did not desist—Orders were given for executing both Eylllepola Nilame & Mampitiye—But the former was respited & only imprisoned at Weyllatte Atuwa. The latter was beheaded the same Night at Hunukotuwa, near Geytambe—This happened 34 Days ago—Himself being apprehensive, that he should be seized, & beaten & tortured to discover hidden Treasures, fled the same Night to Udunuwere, & from thence to Negombo—where he remained sick 10 or 12 Days, & from thence came to Colombo, 10 or 12 Days ago,—He is acquainted with all the Roads about Kandy, & hopes that he may receive Monthly Pay from Govt.—

Jany. 15th.—Awusadahamy, of Saffragam, attends & informs, That he was proceeding to Kandy as instructed by Eknelligoda Nilame, but on the Road at Iddamalpana he met him returning from thence with Doloswala Atapattu Nilame, & other Head Men, who had accompanied the 1st. Adikar to Kandy—He therefore returned with him (now 20 Days ago). Eknelligoda came by Geytahettye, where he is planting a Garden, to Iddamalpana Walawuwe, & from thence to his own Walawuwe at Eknelligoda or Udakada—He was informed by Eknelligoda Nilame, that he had many Things to acquaint me with, & was instructed to come to his Walawuwe to receive his Message—He was seized with Fever & Ague, & on going to Eknelligoda found him in a similar State of Sickness, & unable to communicate with him—He went to Warigama Basnayaka Nilame at Batugedara, who desired his best Compts. & said, that he was ready to receive our Orders from hence, & that he could

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not bear the Injustices of that Country. It would happen to his Property, as to that of the Eylapata, & it would not descend to their Children—He has lately obtained the *18 Gabada Gam under his Charge, but he preserves the Adikar's favour for his own Security & not from any Attachment—He desired him also to mention to me, that he wished for a Watch, tho' not a very capital one. Even a Silver one would answer his Purpose—

Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar upon his Arrival in Kandy, was recd. by the King with great Favour, & still continues so—When Eknelligoda Nilame arrived on this side of the River upon his Way to Saffragam, he recd. an Ola informing, that his Gabada Gama Niwitigala was taken from him, & that the 18 Gabada Gam were given to Warigama Basnayaka Nilame—On his arrival on this Side of Iddamalpana he recd. Intelligence, that Mampitiye Wahala Bandara had been executed—It is reported in Kandy, that Kundasale Nuwara is about to be rebuilt for the purpose of crowning a young Prince, in the present King's Lifetime—Rice & Paddy & Kurakkan are still very dear in the nearer Parts of Saffragam—Numbers of People from this Country go to purchase it from the Parts adjacent to Uwa,† where it is comparatively cheap—

Doloswala Nilame & Walandure Mohottale are employed in sending to Kandy the Property of the Decd. Eylapata—A great Number of Cattle, of Guns, Hand bills, Mommatties, & other Iron Works, Boxes of Sadalingam & other Things have been sent—

Warigama Nilame is causing to be made 50,000 Iron Nails according to Order, for building the Palace of Kundasale—

Jany. 16th.—Awusadahamy, of Saffragam, again attends & informs,

That he has learnt to-day some Intelligence, which he is come to relate—He met to-day in Colombo, Colombogama Vidan (Colombogama is in Nawadun K., who brought an Ola from the 1st. Adikar in Kandy) to Wapu, Moor Mohm.

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(who has now the Areka Rent in Saffragam informing, that a *Karabeyndi Mangalya was to take Place on the 5th. Day after the Full Moon; The King was to marry 2 Sisters, on 2 Successive Days—& the Order was to send to Kandy immediately a Quantity of fine Cloths, & Venetians & Pagodas & other Articles—They dispatched to-day 4 Pingos of Cloths, & a Silver Kuppiya (Vessel) weighing 50 Rupees for sprinkling Pini-diya, & about 30 small Looking Glasses.

Colombogama Vidan informed, that on his Way from Kandy the People of 4 K., who had been dragging Timbers, for Kundasale Nuwara, were all going to Kandy, for the Festival, & the Head Men were hurrying with their Presents—

Jany. 21st.—The Malay Mohm. attends & states to me with the same Confidence as in former Conversations,

That he is able to pass unperceived to the Neighbourhood of Kandy, & shall there by means of his Confidential Friends be enabled to ascertain beyond, whether the English Gentleman is living or Dead—If living, he has great Confidence, that he shall be able to penetrate to his Residence & find a Means of conveying him away—

He shall proceed first to Negombo, then leave it under Pretence of going into the Jungle to cut some Timbers, & without coming to Colombo, pass up the Country by the Path of Wattala & Mudun-goda Mawata, & to proceed by the 4 Korles—He shall take with him his Brother-in-law, 3 Malays who receive Rice & 2 of those who are enlisted in the Malay Company, Tamby Bawa & Tamby Jusu Batta—They will travel by Night only, & lie concealed by Day—

Informed him, that if he is desirous of going, & thinks he can accomplish any of the Objects above stated, there is no Objection on my part to his going—but cautioned him particularly not to permit any of his People to commit the smallest Depredation, & to avoid the possibility of being seen or traced in passing either through our own or the Kandyan Territory—

* A marriage festival.

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Jany. 21st 1913. Gave to him RD. 50 for the Expenses of his Journey—

The Malay Mohm. informs further,

That a Man is come to him with a Message from Kaluwa Yakadura (Decr. 29th.) to state, That his former Journey to Colombo has been discovered, & he is afraid to come again so soon—but he will obtain any Intelligence which we desire—He related, that the King's Marriage was about to take place shortly—

21st.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrle attends & states,

That he is confident the Malay Mohm. will be able to pass to the Neighbourhood of Kandy unperceived with a few Malays & probably to obtain Intelligence of the English Gentleman—Himself will accompany the Malays as far as the Limits & then return—

Delivered to Punchyrle for the Malay Mohm. a Brace of Pistols without the Compy., or Govt. Mark, 2 spare Flints, a small Parcel of Gunpowder & leaden Balls—

Jany. 21st.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrle further informs,

That he believes the Appu, who is come to Colombo, stating that he was in the Service of Mampitiye Bandara lately beheaded, to be an Impostor, for he could not give any Account of the People connected with his Family—

Kirttisri had altogether 6 Children by Mampitiye, 2 Sons & 4 Daughters—The latter were all married to Malabars in Kandy, but had no Children—Their Husbands, were all dispersed or put to Death upon the present King's Accession, & in the late Kandyan War*—& 2 Daughters only are now living—The Elder Mampitiye recently beheaded, cohabited with his younger Sister. This is contrary to Singaleze Law, but it is said to be legitimate with the Royal Race, that it may be preserved pure & unmixed—The Younger Mampitiye who died of Sickness a few Months ago, was called Siyambalagoda, because he resided at the Village of that Name in Yatinuwera—

Jany. 23rd.—Wattala Appu attends & informs,
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That 2 Olas have been brought to him within the last Days, 1 from Pusweylle Disawe, the other from Unambuwe 2d. Adikar, desiring him to come to Kandy with Cloths—& Fish—Talampitiye Duraya came from the former with RD. 200 in Salli, & went away yesterday with their Value in Cloths—Unambuwe Nilame has sent to Colombo altogether RD. 1500, of which 200 were sent to himself to purchase them—Molligoda Dis. of the 4 K. has sent RD. 3500—& Kobbey kaduwa Dis. of Uwa, & Nephew of the present High Priest has sent RD. 4500—The 1st. Adikar & Disawe of 3 K., have sent Money for the same Purpose. Also the younger Pusweylle Gabada Nilame—
This Abundance of Cloths is required for the Celebration of the King's Nuptials, which are to take place—

.. 25th.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & informs, That the 2 Malays belonging to the Company have not yet obtained Leave of Absence—They have twice been to Capt. De Bussche, & asked Leave of Absence, & were ordered to wait till they were sent for—& they are afraid to go till they receive Orders—They had fixed upon leaving Colombo to-night, & the Man who came from the Yakadura has been sent with another to desire the Yakadura to meet them at the Limits, to shew them the Secret Road to Kandy—

.. 27th.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends at night & informs,

That the 2 Malays have not yet obtained Leave, but are waiting in readiness for Orders—The Kandyan Yakadura had been appointed to meet them at the Limits on Wednesday or if they should be unable to come on that Day by any Accident, he must wait all Thursday—The Malay Mohm. has sent Messages to him from Negombo in great Anxiety, desiring, either that he should be permitted to go, as appointed, or that the Plan should be altogether laid aside—

Informed him, that I shall go to the Fort tomorrow Morning, & will take Measures for

obtaining Leave for the 2 Malays without fail to-morrow—
 He will sent Word to the Mohm. to leave Negombo to-morrow—

29th.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends & informs,

That the 2 Malays of the Company are just come to him (8 A.M.) & say, That they obtained leave yesterday, & slept at the Mohm.'s House—They request a Passport from me, in case they should be met with—(On enquiring why they did not set out last Night he replies) He did not know till now, that the Malays had Leave—The Mohm. must have come part of the Way yesterday, & he thinks, will have stopped at Mabola—

Informed him, That the Malays will receive no Passport from me, as their Journey is a Secret one—& the sooner they go the better—

Jany. 31st.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends about 1 P.M. & informs, That on Friday afternoon he proceeded from Colombo with the 2 Malays belonging to the Company—Beyond the Bridge of Dalugam he saw in the Road the Singaleze, who lives with the Malay Mohm., who shewed him the Place where the Malay Mohm. was, in the Jungle, with 1 Malay & 2 Moormen—They had stopped at Mabola the preceding Night, & came to Dalugam that Day at Noon—About 7 P.M. they proceeded on their Journey by the Road of Biyagam, S. Dias Modr.'s House, & Keragala. They met only 1 Man near Biyagam & no other Passenger, nor Interruption on the Road—They were compelled to proceed slowly because it was very dark in the covered Paths, & it beginning to dawn, when they arrived at Radawana, about 3 Heytakma on this side of Timbirigama, they retired out of the Road, & lay concealed in the Jungle—Himself went publicly to Timbirigama, to the House of Timbirigama Appu (the Brother of the late Seylawa Vidan) who died about 3 Months ago—& made Enquiry for the Yakadura who had been expected to meet them at the Limits, but heard nothing of him or of the Messengers—The Malay Mohm. was very desirous, that he (Punchyrale) should accompany him into the Kandyan Country, to shew the

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Way—but he objected, saying he could not go without previous Leave from me—He found at Timbiringama the Elder Brother's Son of Timbiringama Appu (with whom he was before acquainted) & spoke to him about accompanying the Malays to Kandy—He consented to do it, & came with him to the Place, where the Malays lay concealed in the Jungle, about 1 or 2 P.M. yesterday—He seemed willing to go with them, & he thinks, will go, if the Mohm. gives him a Reward—Himself left them in the Jungle at about 4 P.M. yesterday, & was desired by the Mohm. on parting, to acquaint me, that they should proceed into the Kandyan Country that Night (last Night) or if any thing should prevent them, to-morrow Night (to-night the 31st.)—It was their Intention to go at Night fall, to the House of the Timbiringama Appu, & dress Victuals, & refresh themselves—He thinks, they will probably rest there all to-day, & proceed on their Journey to-night—

Besides the Mohandiram are altogether 6 Persons, viz: the Singaleze, who lives in his House, the Malay & 2 Moormen, who came with him from Negombo—and the 2 Malays of the Company—Besides the 2 Pistols recd. from me, the Mohm. has one Pistol of his own—They have 1 Crise, & 1 Sword Stick—

They have 12 Measures of raw Rice, & some Aluwa keyta &c. (Biscuits)—altogether he thinks, sufficient for 6 Days Provisions—

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Tuesday 2d.—Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale attends this Morning & informs, That he thinks it right to acquaint me, what he forgot on Sunday, that on Friday, the Malay Mohm. & himself stopped & dressed their Victuals & ate at the House of their Acquaintance & in the Evening set off, saying they were going to Colombo by the Way of Kelany, to which a Cross Path turns, a little beyond this Man's House—

He wishes also to ask, whether the Malay Mohm. told me anything about a Chain (Male). For the

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Singaleze (who now accompanies the Mohm. originally a Native of Galle, but resident at Negombo, & accustomed to trade to Kandy & who came the last time with the other Messenger from the Yakadura) informed him on Saturday, as they went together conversing, from the Jungle to Timbirigama, That Pilima Talawuwe Bandara had sent by their hands a Male, which they had given to the Mohm.—On enquiring, for whom the Male was designed, he said, It was sent for the purpose of being shewn to the Disawe of Colombo, not to be given to him—

Instructed Punchyrale to go again to Timbirigama to-morrow or next Day, & ascertain, when the Malays proceeded—

„ 5th.—Arambepole Mohm., of Morugama attends & states,

That he presented a Petition to the Governor which was referred to me, & he requests an Answer to it—He has not been to his Village since he fled to this Country—but he went to the Limits & sent a Person to ascertain the State of his Affairs—He learnt, that the Atapattu Lasca. from whose Custody he made his Escape by Night at the Wadiya of the Disawe, (upon the suggestion of Kalundawa Mohottale his Relation, that he was sent for to be executed) were in Prison, & Kadukawe Mohottale, to whom the Lasca. belonged, had given Orders for watching after his Return—His House & all his Property continued sealed, & he could procure nothing whatever from his Village—

„ 6th.—Kiribatkumbure Punchyrale attends & informs,

That he went to Timbirigama the Day before yesterday & returned yesterday—He saw Timbirigama Appu, & learnt from him, that the Malays had remained concealed at his House till Wednesday Night.

The Singaleze of Galle, who accompanied the Mohm. went on Sunday to the Brother-in-law of Yakadura, who resides about 2 Heytakma from the Limit Ratmalagala, & learnt from him, that Yakadura had come to Ratmalagala & waited there the preceding Wednesday & Thursday, &

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then returned to his Village (which is near Ambanwita in 4 K. a full Day's Journey from the Limits) leaving word with his Brother-in-law, to come instantly & acquaint him, in case any one should come & make Enquiry—The Brother-in-law immediately set off, & promised without fail to bring the Yakadura on Wednesday.

The Singaleze of Galle returned to Timbirigama, & on Wednesday night 4 or 5 Hours after dusk, they all set off, & stopped concealed in the Jungle about 1 Heytakma beyond Ratmalagala, till the Yakadura came—Timbirigama Appu left them there, & returned to his Village the same Night—He was desired by the Ja Mohm. to say, in case any one from Colombo should come to enquire, that they had set off the next Night, i.e. the Day after he (Punchyrale) left them—

Feby. 16th.—Assana Captan the Malay Mohm.* attends at 9 P.M. & informs,

That he is just returned from the Kandyan Country having accomplished the Journey according to his Intentions—Near Ratmalagala the Limit of the Sinna K, he was met according to previous appointment by the Kandyan Yakadura, who accompanied & shewed the Way—They proceeded through the 4 Korles by Iddamalpana & Nainankada, & crossed the †Kandyan River by Miwatura Totapala, resting in the Jungle by Day, & travelling by Night—They lay concealed one Day in the Village Hindagala immediately beyond Miwatura Totapala, but this Spot being too distant from Kandy, they removed the next Night to a thorny Jungle in the Neighbourhood of Huduhumpala Wihara (a Temple)—& having found, that this Part was frequented by People seeking Fire wood, they afterwards ascended higher into Hantana Keyle (Forest)—

To obtain Information regarding the Fate of the English Officer, he sent for a Moorman of his Acquaintance named Sekandu, who made particular Enquiry from the Wife of a Washerman

* (late in the Kandyan Service, who fled to the British Territory in June 1811, in the midst of the Commotions, which terminated with the Execution of the late 1st Adikar) Note in MS.

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serving in the Family of Muttal Samy, first Cousin of the King—She related, that the English Officer lay sick with Dysentery several Days in the Garden of Muttal Samy, refused to take Medicines, & merely drank a little Canjy. That Biscuits & other Things were brought for him from Colombo, but he died in about 15 Days, & his Body was carried out secretly by Night, & buried in Udawatte Keyle, a Jungle near Kandy—This happened in July last—

The Yakadura above mentioned went to the Son of the late Adikar, who sent a Wahumpuraya Servant to the Mohandiram; & upon his desiring to procure Intelligence of the English Officer, the Adikar's Son with the view of obtaining more particular Information made Enquiry from Hakurugamma Vidan, formerly in his Father's Service, but since his Death living in the Family of Muttal Samy—This Person related in like Manner, that the Fact of his Death was certain; that he lay some time sick with Dysentery in the Garden of Muttal Samy, that Provisions were sent from Colombo, but he could eat nothing, & died in July last, & was buried in Udawatte Keyle—A strict Order was given, that his Death must not be mentioned, & that any Person who said, he was not living, should have his Tongue cut out—

The Mohandm. saw also his Friend Mulgampala Kankan of the Prison in Kandy; This Person stated the general Report, that the English Officer was dead, but had no knowledge of any particular Circumstances, excepting that one Night 4 Reykawallo (Executioners) had been ordered to attend for Duty, but upon what Duty, they went, he did not learn—

The Mohm. saw his Mother in Kandy, & learnt that all his own Property had been discovered & confiscated. She desired him to return immediately, because his Life was in danger there—He could not see his Brother, for he was absent on Service at Gurudeniya, with the Company of Kandyan Malays & Moormen—

Febr. 21st. 1813.—In direct contradiction to the foregoing, I have just received Information from 2 Kandyan Messengers sent to Colombo by the

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Disawe of Dewaweydde & the High Steward, that the English Officer is still living in Kandy, but sick, & that they carried Provisions to him a very few Days since—I conversed with them separately & found a Disagreement in their Story, which coupled with the Intelligence derived from other Sources, renders it most suspicious—but at their Desire I have sent from hence a Messenger, whom they promise to convince by ocular Evidence that the English Officer is living—

(Signed) J. D'Oyly,
Chief Translr. to Govt.

Copy of the above sent to the Governor March 7th. 1813—to be forwarded to England—

Feb'y. 19th.—Wattala Appu attends with Andarapane Mohm. & informs, That this Mohm. & a Kankanaya of the Gabadawa came to him late last Night with a Message from the High Steward, the Younger Pusweylle, to call him to Kandy with some Salt Fish & Cloths—

The Kankanaya swore to him, by placing his Hands upon his Eyes, & again upon the Ground, that the English Gentleman was living & said, that he had seen him a few Days ago—

Andarapane Mohm. informs,

That he is come with a Paduwa Kankanaya of the Gabadawa to call Wattala Appu to Kandy, by order of Pusweylle Disawe of Dewameyde, & his Younger Brother the High Steward, with some Cloths & Salt Fish—The High Steward also directed him to come to me & conveying his Compts. a thousand times, to ask after my Health, & State, 'That the English Gentleman is living at Migon Arambe in a sickly State, with Swelling, & with Pains in his Arms & Legs, that he had Fever, which now has left him, that he cannot be certain whether he will live, but Pusweylle Disawe himself gives Medical Aid. He knew, Reports had reached Colombo, of his Death, but they were false'—He added that if W. Appu came he would show him the English Gentleman—The Day before he left Kandy (now 12 or 15 Days) he went himself with this very Paduwa Kankanaya, of the Gabadawa,

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to carry 15 Days Provisions to the English Gentleman at Migon Arambe, on the upper Side of the Weywe, not far from Poya Malu Wihara, & not more than half an Heytakma from the Palace. The House in which the Gentleman lives, is an old Walawuwe of Pusweylle Nilame—Himself did not enter the Katupeyleylla, nor see the English Gentleman, but stood without, whilst the Kankanaya went in with the Provisions—The Kankanaya objected to come to me, & is afraid to come, because he recd. no Orders from Pusweylle & he is going away early to-morrow Morning—The *Kara beyndi Mangalya took Place 4 or 5 Days before he left Kandy, with one Woman, not 2—He does not know who she was—It was celebrated in the Palace at Night on the 7th. Day after the last New Moon (). He knows nothing & saw nothing of it. Great Quantities of Cloths were brought from Colombo for the Occasion—& the People from all the Disawanies are now carrying Presents—

Instructed him to present my best Compts. to the High Steward, & to state my Confidence, that every Medical Aid & Care will be administered, for the Recovery of the English Gentleman, & that I send W. Appu for the purpose of seeing him, & obtaining Proof, that he is living—

On enquiring from him the Cause, that no Answer has been returned to the last Letter which I sent by his Hands, he replies, That he does not know—He delivered the Letter to Pusweylle Disawe at his Walawuwe in the 7 K., & saw it dispatched from thence to Kandy. He has heard nothing, & recd. no Order on the Subject since—

Instructed him to present my best Compts. to the elder Pusweylle Disawe of Dewameydde also & state my Surprise & Regret, that no Answer has been returned, according to Custom, to my last Letter—


Febr. 20th.—Wattala Appu attends—He intends proceeding to-morrow on his Journey to Kandy with Andarapane Mohm. taking with him about RD. 100 worth of Cloths for Sale—& Salt Fish & Sugar

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Kandy, as Presents from me to the Chiefs (for the Expences of which he recd. from me RD. 10 yesterday)—

Instructed him to convey my Compts. to Pusweylle Disawe & to the High Steward—to acquaint the former with my Surprise & Sorrow, that my last Letter had not been answered—& to state to the latter, that I send him (W. Appu) for the express Purpose of seeing the English Gentleman—& to request, that a small Proof of his Existence may be sent; merely a Word written with his Signature on Paper, informing, that he is living—Otherwise I cannot give Credit to it—Instructed him also to be cautious of being deceived by the Sight of a Person, perhaps a Dutchman, at a Distance, lying on a Bed, with a glimmering Light; & to endeavour to approach him & converse with him, by every Means; & if it be not permitted, to say that he cannot believe the English Gentleman's Existence, or report to me, that he has seen him—

21st.—The Kankan of the Gabadawa, above referred to, is called here by W. Appu, & states, That he is come to Colombo by Order of Pusweylle Disawe, to call W. Appu & to bring some Cloths & Plates, & a few other Things, as Presents or Nalangu on account of the late Mangalaya, which were offered from all the Disawanies, & Lekams—The Nuptials took Place on the 5th. Day of the last New Moon. The King married 2 Sisters, neither of whom are yet *  —& one is a mere Child (He shews its Height not 3 Feet)—They came from the Coast by Madakalapuwa about 11 Months ago—

On enquiring after the English Officer, he relates, That he was brought to Kandy from Napana in Dumbura about 7 Months ago on acct. of his Sickness. He immediately went to the Palace, & after receiving Samakkattu (Presents of Cloths) he came & resided the first 7 Days at a House belong to the Gabadawa in the same Garden Where himself (the Kankan) resided. He was then removed to the Wahala of Muttal Samy, in Kumarupe Widiya, & still resides there, supplied with Medicines &

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Medical Attendance from the Gabadawa—But he is still sick, Both his Belly & Arms & Legs swelled. He is about as tall as myself, & drest exactly in the same Manner—It is his own Duty as Kankan of the Gabadawa to supply him with Provisions, & he did so, whilst he resided in Dumbara, as well as since—He carried Provisions to him the very Day before he left Kandy, now 8 Days ago. He* අවසරය සමඳන් වෙතවා & tells no falsehood: & swears by his Eyes, & by the Earth & by Kataragam, that his Words, regarding the English Gentleman are true—The Gentleman resides in the same Garden with Muttal Samy, round which there is a new built Wall, but a Separate House. Whilst the Gentleman resided in Dumbara, himself twice carried to him from the Gabadawa Bottles of red Arrack & Muttis of Good Things, he knows not whence they came—The 1st. time 4 Bottles & 4 Muttis, 2d. 3 of each—& the Day before he left Kandy he delivered 3 Bottles & 3 Muttis—One or 2 other People went with him the last time, but not Andarapane Mohm.—He joined Andarapane Mohm. on his Way to Andarapane. The Mohm. has not been in Kandy for 4 or 5 Months—The only Work now carrying on is the Cultivation of Gurudeniya Keta, 100 Amms. in Extent on the Bank of the River, a League distant from Kandy—His Wanama (Cast) is Patti—His Ancestor Kulasekara Brahman came from the Coast, & first built Keyhani Dagaba, he knows not how long ago—

Kulasekara's G. Son mixed with the Patti Women, & thus lost his Cast.

Informed him, that Reports prevailed at Colombo, that the English Gentleman was dead—& I should be glad, if he would obtain for me a Proof that he is living—a Writing with his Signature, merely stating his Health, or that he is labouring under such Diseases, & wants such Medicines or such Articles—I suppose, he will acquaint Pusweylle Disawe with all I say, & he must present my best Compts. & state this also—

He replies, that he shall be able to procure such a Writing as I desire, & will send it by Wattala Appu—

* Observes the eight precepts.

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The Malay Mohm. informs,

That he learnt no particular News in Kandy, besides what he before related—The King's Nuptials, he understood, took place a few days before he arrived there—The Company of Malays & Moormen, (of whom about 30 may be Malays) are employed in bringing into Cultivation the extensive Range of Fields called Gurudeniya Keta, on the banks of the Mahaweyli Ganga, 1 League distant from Kandy—Eyheylepola 1st. Adikar upon his Return to Kandy, fell under the King's Displeasure, upon the Charge of having appropriated to himself a Part of the Property of the late Eylapata Nilame, & of having done some Wrongs to the People of Saffragam—Fearing the King's Resentment, he stayed in his Walawuwe pretending Sickness, but the King sent Officers to tell him not to be afraid, & he is since somewhat recovered—

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March.—The same Youth named
(Vide Jan'y. 8th.) attends with Godamunne Appu,
& informs,

That he is sent by Kaduruwelle Mohottale of the 7 K. to Godamunne Appu & to me, to say, That Buweylikada Palace is repairing; & that a great Number of Pannayas & Moormen are drilling in Kandy—about 300 or 400—The Mohottale is just returned from Kandy—The Disawe of the Pahala dolos P. Pusweylle is also returned to the 7 K. to Itanawatta. He arrived the Day before he (the Messenger) set off from Colombo—5 Days—

March 6th.—The Malay Mohm. attends & returns a Parcel of the Gunpowder & Balls which he recd.—for his Journey—He informs,

That last Night the Kandyan Moorman Sekandu, with whom he had Communication, at Kandy in his late Journey, came last Night, & related that the Malay Saddaku who accompanied the Mohm. in his late Journey to Kandy (being the young Man who came with Sinna Kandu from Trincomale in July 6th. 1812)

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has been seized at the Village Watuwala, in Harispattuwa, a little on this Side of Katugastota) This young Malay, after his Return from their Journey, went to trade in the 4 Korles with Salt in Company with a Kandyan Moorman who also accompanied the Moorman on his late Journey; for which the Mohm. furnished him with R.D. 2—It seems he proceeded from the 4 K. to the above Village, where his Wife & Mother reside, & Information of his Arrival having been given to Katchi Dewiyo, he was seized, & carried bound to Kandy—Sekandu, fearing, that the whole Transaction of their recent Journey to Kandy, might be extorted from this Malay, has fled to Colombo—Of the Moorman who accompanied this Malay, there is no Intelligence—

The Malay Mohm. being questioned with respect to the Man a Kandyan, lately arrived at Colombo calling himself Bowala Mudiyansele Punchyrale, Servant of Manpitiya Bandara, lately executed, States,

That he is not the Person he represents himself to be, because he (the Mohm.) is acquainted with that Family—He thinks, he once saw his Face in Kandy, with the People of *Mat a village in Udunuwara, belonging to Katchi Dewiyo, & Gangoda Aratchy (a Man implicated in the Insurrection in Kandy of June 1811, & banished to Binteynna from whence he made his Escape to Baticalao, & arrived at Colombo 7 or 8 Days ago) informed him, that he is a man of the Berewaya Village above mentioned—

He one Day told the Mohm., that he could communicate anything he wished to Katchy Dewiyo. On enquiring, whether he could speak with Katchy Dewiyo to procure his (the Mohm.'s) safe Return to Kandy with his Family, he answered, Yes—†

March 11th.—The Malay Mohm. attends & informs,

That Sekandu wishes to go to Kandy again clandestinely to enquire the State of Affairs, since he left it—He related, that the Malay who was apprehended in Kandy stoutly denied having been to Kandy in

* Mátgomuwa.

† For March 9th, vide p. 174.

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Company with the Malay Mohm. People were then sent to question his (the Mohm.'s) Mother, & told her falsely, that the Malay had confessed it. She then was induced to acknowledge, that she had seen her Son the Mohm. in Kandy, & that Sekandu had been the Channel of Communication—Sekandu all this time, since the Malay's Apprehension, had kept himself out of the Way, & upon this Disclosure absconded to Colombo—The Malay, it appears, was betrayed by his Wife, who since his Absence has cohabited with another Man—

The Mohm. informs, that he designs to go to Negombo to-morrow or next Day to look after his Garden & House—*

„ 14th.—A Lad, about 17 Years of Age, calling himself Meynikrale, the Son of a Wadanatuwak-kukara Aratchy, now Decd., of Giragama in Yatinuwara, with his left Arm broken, attends, & states,

That his Father mortgaged his Property with a Hunna, for 15 Pags., & being very Poor, & no Means of redeeming it, he is come to Colombo to request Assistance from me, because he has heard of my Charity. He came to Wattala only yesterday from his Village, & Salmon Appu of Wattala, who trades in Kandy, is acquainted with him—

Informed him, that I cannot believe his Story, but gave him a Trifle for Charity.—

„ 14th.—Kiribatkumbure Punchyrale attends & states, That

Arambepola Mohm. is gone to his Village—He was unwilling to go with 2 Persons, whom he had prepared to send with him, & is gone with a young Priest, a Scholar of Ambagahapitiya Unnanse, & another Lad—

March 9th.—Arambepola Mohm. attends & informs,

That it is his Intention to go to the Limits of the 7 K., & endeavour to send a Person to his Village to gain Intelligence with respect to his Family & Property—but he has no Expences for his Journey—Gave him RD. 5—

* For March 12th, vide p. 175.

March 12th.—Gangoda Aratchy, of an old
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That in consequence of being concerned in the Insurrection of May & June 1811—he was banished from Kandy & kept in Chains in Binteynna 18 Months, after which he made his Escape to Baticalao, & from thence to Colombo—He is destitute of every Means of Subsistence, & requested Aid—Gave him RD. 5—

March 15th.—Intelligence recd. that 7 Malays with 7 Women & Children have entered our Territory from Sitawaka—

“ 16th.—Olá from Hewagam K. Modr. Informing, that 7 Malays, 3 Women & 4 Children, passed the River at Sitawaka in the Afternoon of the 14th.—& it is said, they were conducted from Kandy under charge of Lascorins from Post to Post—

“ 16th.—Ola from Hapitigam K. Modr. Informing, that 1 Malay Lieutt. 6 Malay Men, 6 Women & 5 Children being forbidden to remain in Kandy, were conducted by 2 Mohottiyars, an Aratchy Atukorale & others to the

“ 16th.—Letter from Hapitigam K. Modr. Dated March 14th. 1813. Informing, that he has learnt for certain, That Order is given for carrying to the Tanayama of Iddamalpana on Monday the 15th. Adukku Peyhidun for Expencc, because Molligoda Disawe who before had obtained Korletune, having obtained the Disawany of the 4 K. had come down, & on Sunday the 14th. was to arrive at the Tanayama of Iddamalpana—There is vague Report, that Unambuwe Adikar having obtained the Disawany of the Pabala dolos P. of the 7 K., will shortly come to Mirihanpitiye Tanayama, & that Order is given to all the other Disawes to come down—He will enquire properly & write speedily—

“ 19th.—The 18 Malays from Kandy, by way of Hapitigam K. & Negombo arrive at Colombo this Evening, consisting of 7 Males,

“ 20th.—Of the Malays from Kandy, who reached Colombo yesterday, Sannadi Writer & the Malay Mohm.'s Brother Tamby attend for Examination

Sannadi Writer, the most intelligent of them gives the following Account:

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The Kandyan Malays & Moormen had been employed for some time with the Singaleze in raising a Dam for the formation of a Tank at Gonawatte about 1½ Leagues from Kandy, where 5 Malays deserted, & attempted to reach our Territory by Uwa, but were apprehended, & kept in Chains. Upon their Desertion, all the other Malays were re-called from that Work, & resided free of all Duty at their Quarters in Katukeyle—About 10 Days after, a Moorman named Saddaku, who fled from Kandy to Colombo, about 6 or 8 Months ago, was apprehended at the Village Kondadeniya in Harispattuwa, where he went to see his Wife with the Intention of bringing her away: & being brought to Muttal Samy & tortured, he confessed, that he came to Kandy with the Malay Mohm., & that the latter had Interview with his Mother & with Sekandu—The Mohm.'s Mother being questioned, could not deny the Fact, & Sekandu absconded, it is said, to Colombo—Upon this Affair coming to light, the Malays were all summoned before Muttal Samy, & the Captain Kuppen was directed to separate all those, who had Relations at Colombo, who were worthless, & unworthy of Confidence, & to reserve only such as were good Men, who would not kill Animals, & who were faithful & trustworthy, for whose Conduct the Captain must answer, if any thing should happen hereafter—The Captain separated accordingly. Persons, besides the 5 Prisoners, & Muttal Samy told them, *That they should witness the Punishment of those 5 who must suffer Death. He then added,* They deserved Death, but for Charity Sake were pardoned by the G. Gate and permitted to leave the Country. *He then told them*—that they had Friends & Connections in the British Territories, who would be coming to see them, & find Harbour in their Houses—that they could not be trusted, & therefore must depart with Women & Children to the Country where their Friends & Relations were. He added, that the 5 Deserters were deserving of Death, but for Charity Sake were pardoned by the G. Gate, & permitted to Leave the Country with the rest. 2 Elephant Rupees were given to each Malay Man for the Expences of his Journey, & they were sent immediately to the Muddra

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Maduwa, & there delivered in Divisions to the Disawes of the 7 K., the 4 K. & 3 Korles, respectively, to be conducted under Charge by 3 Roads to the British Territories. The 5 Malay Deserters were dispatched by the 7 K.—Himself & Party, including the Mohm.'s Brother & Mother, by Balana, Beligala & Hapitigam K.—& a Party of 7 Men, besides Women & Children by Iddamalpane & Ruwanweylle—It is now 9 Days since they left Kandy—Muttal Samy on dismissing them said, That if anyone should be able to cut off the Malay Mohm. at Colombo, & bring his Head he should receive Favour from the G. Gate a Present of the 2 Golden Bracelets (shewing them) which he wore on his Arms'—One Malay Lon asked immediately his Capt. Odin whether they should not obtain a small Knife. Muttal Samy replied, 'Why a small Knife he may have a large one'—but no Knife was given—

About a Year ago, a Dutchman in Kandy, & Lala & Kutuwal were seized suddenly in Kandy, in consequence, as reported, of being concerned in a correspondence between Major Davey & Colombo; These were removed immediately out of Kandy, & no one knows, what is become of them. Shortly after this, the English Gentleman was brought up to Kandy sick from Dumbara, & resided near Malwatte Wihara—He did not see him, but the Place is close to Kandy, & it was the common Talk that the English Gentleman was there, & that the Doctors of the Court attended him—

About 10 Months ago he enquired from Muruwa pulle (his intimate Acquaintance) the Under Cornicopoly of Muttal Samy (the Head Cornicopoly is Sangalingen) what was become of the English Gentleman, who before lived at Malwatte Wihara?—He replied, that he was living near the Bogaha at the back of Muttal Samy's Garden—About 15 Days before he left Kandy, he learnt from the same Muruwa Cornicopoly, that the English Gentleman had died of Sickness, but he did not Mention at what time or place, or any other Particulars—

The Mohm.'s Brother Tamby, as well as the Malays who arrived by Way of Hewagam K. agree in their Statement of the Cause & Manner of their Dismission from Kandy—

March 20th.—Gamage Simon, Brother of Wattala Appu
1813. attends, & informs,

That he is just returned from the Kandyan Country, having been into the Wanny upon Trade—On his Return through the 7 K. at Talampitiya, he recd. Information, that his elder Brother Wattala Appu had been impaled in Kandy, & again that he had been beheaded—He went as far as Weywuda, & at last learnt, that W. Appu, his Nephew & the 2 Hunno, who accompanied them, were in confinement 2 with Muttal Samy, & 2 at Ampitiye Kadawata—The Crime imputed is, that W. Appu having recd. Orders to leave Kandy, instead of departing, went to the House of Pusweylle Disawe—Andarapane Mohm. is also a Prisoner in Chains at the House of Molligoda Dis. of 4 K.—People had seen Andarapane Mohm., but no one had seen W. Appu & his 3 Companions—therefore he fears that he is no more—Pusweylle Nilame had been dismissed (he knows not for what cause) from the Disawany of the Pahala dolos P. 7 K.; he was 3 Days sick with Dysentery in his Walawuwe, after which the King to comfort him sent a Message, bidding him 'bathe himself in the Disawany of Nuwarakalawiya & come (to Court). (නුවරකලාවියෙ දිසාව තාන එන්බ)

„ 20th.—The 14 Malays from Kandy by Way of the 3 K., Sitawaka & Hanwelle, reach Colombo this Evening, consisting of

„ 20th.—Letter from Hapitigam K. Modr. dated March 18th. 1813—Informing, that one Word appearing in his Letter of the 14th. was not true—namely—That Molligoda Disawe who before obtained the Korle tune, being removed from Korle tune, has obtained the Disawany of Sat Korle Ihala dolos Pattu; that Mattamagoda Nilame formerly Aramudale Lekam has obtained the Disawany of Korle tune; that the 4 K. still remains with Molligoda Nilame, who had it before; that Unambuwe Maha Nilame has obtained the Disawany of the Pahala dolos Pattu; that Sabaragomuwa still remains with Eyheylepola Maha Nilame who had it before. That these Disawes are ordered to come down very speedily; & that the Halagama (Chalia) People of Eytnawala, who carry Pal-

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anquin of the Disawe of the 4 K. went to Kandy on the 16th. of this Month—All these Things he has learnt from Persons sent by him for Intelligence (*මහලු බැලීමට)—Also that it is the Opinion of People in Kandy, that the Building & Repair of Tanayam at Maditiyawala & Mugurugampala for the Journey of the Proponent, is for Detachments to reside—

" 24th.—Ola from Hewagam K. Modr. Dated March 23rd. Informing, that he has learnt, that the Disawe of Korle tune & Udagampahe (should be Pallegampahe) Adikaram Ralahamy, who has obtained Saparagomuwa came on Monday 22nd. to Ruwanweylle—& the Adikar is proceeding to day Tuesday the 24th. (23d.) to Panawala, on his Way to Saparagomuwa—

March 21st.—Letter recd. by the Govr. from Mr. Lusignan, Trincomale, dated March 10th. 1813—Enclosing a Malabar Ola from the Wanniya of Soorle Pattu, wherein he offers to emigrate with his People into the Catacolam Pattu—& requests a Pattalan (1000) of Men, or at least 500, with which he will plunder & subdue that & the adjacent Countries—

Decr. 31st 1814. Gabbala Miyana Owita Lekam—From Gabbala Miyana Owita the nearest Road to Kandy is by Bokara beywila—2 Days' Journey for a Messenger—4 for a cooly.

In the Road from Kandy to Sripade are 2 Openings
1—At Maskeliya in the Keylany Ganga, leading to Bulugoda in Bulatgama along the North Side of the Kelany Ganga—By Report, it is not very difficult, & about 1 Day's Journey, but he never passed it—After passing Maskeliya, Udalapata ends & Kalugammala begins, but higher up the River, there are Houses belonging to Kalugammala, on both Banks of it—

2d.—At 2 Heytakma Southward from Maskeliya, is a Bogaha & 2 or 3 Houses near it—from thence, you ascend 2 Heytakma to the top of Bokara beywila, & descend 3 Heytakma to Polgaswatta † in Gabbala—The Road is very difficult, & it will be 4 or 5 Hours Journey—

* For spying.

† (4 or 5 Houses). (Pencil note in original)

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From the Bomaluwa to Hangarapitiya is 1 Heytakma. Here are 3 or 4 Houses—& none beyond on the Way to Sripade. From Maskeliya to Sripade, is reckoned 7 Leagues & 2 Days' Journey of Adawiya.—Pilgrims rest at an Oye called Sita Gangula, where is a Owita of 5 or 6 Parrahs Extent—It is called Maligateynna, because there is a Gallena, in which the King Nissanga once lived—About 1 League on the Kandy Side of the Sita Gangula, is another Oye, Dunutibu Gangula, so called, because the same King threw his Bow there from the Summit of Sripade—These 2 Gangul fall into the Kelany Ganga—But after Maskeliya, the Keyhani Ganga is not met again on the Road to Sripade—Its Source is lost in the Mukulanas, on the E. of Sripade—On the Road are no other Rivulets, but Rocky Pools & Torrents—About 1 Heytakma, before reaching Sripade is a Cavern, called B'hagawa Lena—

No Source of the Walawe is known. It will be in the Rocks & Forests E. of Sripade—

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From Polgaswatte S.—to Malibada	3	} 3 K.
Magala ...	3	
Eratne ...	4	} Saffragam —Hence a Path to Ginimale
Udukada	$\frac{1}{2}$ Day	

From Do. W. to Algoda—

Pudaluhore Atula ...	1	} All Forest abound in Rocks and Hills & belonging to Gabbala & Miya- na Owita
Urawaka ...	1	
Mudagalla Vill. 2 or 3 Houses	1	
Karandagaha yata ...	1	
Rakkanawe Atula. Oye ...	1	
Galkeytiya Modere. Oye ...	1	
Dewel kala Weylle—same Oye	1	} Miyana Owita hen on S. Side of Hita- waka Gan- ga
Panakure Mankada—same Oye	1	
1 House	1	
Baran tota. Hitawaka Ganga	1	
Lassegedara. 1st. House in		
Deraniyagala ...	1	
Dewale Tota	1	

* The troops retired & made a Battery on the top of Bokara, boywila. (Pencil note in original)

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Alpitiye Wela. Galkanu Ruppe	1	Hence path to Atulu- gam
Torana Gale	1	
Deydarana Eyle	1	
Peylengaha. Digala Oye	1	
Delpatkaduwe	1	
Hal Ola teynne	1	
Algoda Tota	1	
From Alpitiye Wela to Atulugam—		
Wattegedara Galpotte	1	
Ilakotuweylle Oye or Delloluwa—		
2 Houses	1	
Kiriwanakeyti Mukulana	1	
Mahin kanda—Weylipiyanna		
gaha Yata	1	
Kanangama Palu Ambalam	1	
Atulugam Ruppe	1	
From Polgaswatte a Jungle Road to Bulugoda—		
about 6 Heyt.		
From Bulugoda through Gabbala to Deraniyagala		
Palle bage Oye	1	
Palle bage Kanda & Village	1	
Uranweytunu Eylla—Foot		All Forest Rocky and hilly Road belonging to Gabbala
bridge	1	
Madawala Kapugedara Oye		
2 Houses	1	
Kepa keytu Atula	1	
Udabage—4 or 5 Houses	1	
Pimbura Mal Atula	1	
Liniyagala—1 House—Derani-		
yagala	1	Road si.. Belonging ..Derani- yagala..
Idikada beynda Eyla	1	
Nagaha gawa Oye	1	which is on both Sides of Algoda ..Hitawa- ka G..
Bope kande Oye or Bopegedara-		
Eylle—2 Washer Houses	1	
Naweyl Owita—at the bottom		
of Alpitiye Wela	1	

There are no Fields in Kalugammala—They cultivate Chenas with El-wie—Kurakkan & Roots—All the Inhabts. are Vellales—About 100 Houses—& the same Number at Gabbala Miyana Owita—Kitul abound in the Forests—They bring Hakuru to Bulugoda & thence by Water in Floats to Ruwanweylle—

In the Forests are Kina, Kaluwara, Dummala, Horagas—No Kalumeydaniya—

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From Gabbala Miyana Owita, Kitul Hakuru is brought to Hitawaka. It exports no other Produce—No Fields, except a few small Denies—Gabbala Miyana Owita is all South of Keylany Ganga—Of Bulugoda the greater Part is N. of it, but higher up, a small Part on the South. Algoda or Hitawaka Ganga runs through Malibada, & rises above it.

Iddamalpana, January 20th. 1815.

Dear Sir,

I accompanied the Detachment which marched from Mattamagoda at 2 AM. by the great Road. We halted till near Day break at Kotikakumbura, & afterwards marched slowly expecting the Report of Shots in our Front from the other Parties, who had preceded to surround the *Adikar—No such Signal being heard for some time after Daylight we advanced & found all the Batteries deserted, & Capt. Blankenburg's Party in possession of the old Buildings lately occupied by the Adikar & his people at Pinideniya, with some Prisoners & Kandyan Musquets—It appears that they had obtained previous Intelligence of our March, & had fled long before Daylight, but I believe were not aware of Lt. Folkstone's Detachment interrupting the high Road so far in the Rear.—This Detachment came into the great Road (by the Error I believe, of the Guides) at the Ambalam of Arandara 2 or 2½ Miles S. of this instead of immediately at Iddamalpana, about 2 AM. & saw a Number of Lights passing Northward below the great Road, which Lt. Folkstone now believes to have accompanied the Adikar. He waited however, near the Road Side till Daylight, & interrupted the Adikar's empty Palanquin, which came along the Road, attended, I believe, by about 25 armed, besides other Men, some of whom being taken Prisoners, reported that the Adikar was not with it, & has escaped along the high Road upwards—It is stated, however, & believed by many other Natives, & especially by a Priest, living near this Place, that the Adikar has not yet passed

* Molligoda Senior.

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Iddamalpana, but ascended the Hills, which are covered with Forest, lying E. of Arandara, & Measures have been taken for interrupting the Road leading from the 4 K. to Bulatgama through Alawatara, by writing to Major Moffatt, & by guarding the Road, which descends to this Place through Lahupane—I shall use every Means for ascertaining whither he is gone, & endeavour to obtain speedily a Test, whether his Professions are sincere or false—Lt. Folkstone afterwards marching forward to Iddamalpana, found about 300 Men, who fled after firing several Shots, but stopped again & fired a few more Shots from a Battery lately erected at Atugoda Hinna, a Hill just beyond this Place, & immediately fled upon his Approach—

I reached Iddamalpana Rest house at about 10 AM., & the Road during the last 3 Miles lies through a beautiful Valley of Paddy Fields with standing Paddy, ripe & ripening, closed on both Sides by rocky Hills covered with Forest, & in some Parts cultivated with chenas Paddy to the Summit—

I did not invite our *Adikar & Disave to accompany us on this Expedition, because the present Adikar Molligoda must certainly feel Apprehensions & Scruples towards them, & would much rather treat with us, than with either—Till his Resolution is taken, or his Fate decided, which we shall probably know in 2 or 3 Days, I have thought it preferable to keep these 2 Chiefs at a Distance. But as the Time is now arrived,...which their Assurances must be proved, & their Influence rendered serviceable to us, I shall write Olas inviting them into this Neighbourhood—

Our faithful Allies, the People of the 3 K., I am sorry to say, have been committing Depredations on a few neighbouring Villages of the 4 K., whilst our Troops were at the Limits, ... few who were with us to-day, have brought in some Paddy, & justify themselves upon the Ground, that their Country has been ravaged & plundered by the People of the 4 K., & they are now come to co-operate with us in Arms, but have no Means of Subsistence. I have in such Instances done all in

* Ehelépola and Molligoda junior, Disáva of Three Kóralés.

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my Power to procure Restoration of the plundered Property, & shall endeavour by all practicable Means to repress the lawless, & at present most impolitic Retaliation—

I have just recd. Yr. Excellency's Letter of yesterday 2 P.M., & will forward the Enclosures immediately to Major Kelly through the Saffragam K.—In a Political View, I think Balangoda would at present be a preferable Station to Kahawatte, but the Material Objection is the greater Distance to which the Detachment will be removed from its Supplies—I will write immediately to the Adikar on the Means of assisting our Detachment from Hambantotte in Bullocks & Coolies, but am fearful, that the Resources of that Part of the Saffragam K. will be nearly exhausted for Major Kelly's Corps—

There is a Report that the Adikar is gone to Malwana a Village about 2 Miles from this place, & a small Detachment is sent to seek him.

I have the honour &c.

H. E. The Govr. Colombo

Iddamalpana Jany. 21st. 1815.

Dear Sir,

I have this Moment recd. your Excellency's Letter of yesterday's Date, & will immediately despatch the Letters to Major Kelly, & urge the Adikar to accomplish the Repair of the Roads by the People of the Saffragam K.—The Adikar informed me yesterday, by Ola in reply to my Ola that the Go-down at Batugedere is finished, but the Rice not arrived, & he has ordered Coolies to be collected to convey it to Major Kelly's Detachment, of all which I apprised Major Kelly by Letter yesterday—The Adikar, I am sorry to say, has effected his Escape into the great Road above us. Tamby Modr. & the Party who were sent yesterday to the East, returned in the Evening with Information, that the Adikar having ascended the Hills near Arandara, as mentioned in my Letter of yesterday, & from thence crossing over to Lahupana fled towards the North East beyond Halmessa.—The Party pursued the very Road, which had just been

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cleared of Jungle for his Passage, as far as Halmessa, & got Intelligence, that he was not far in Advance. But the Soldiers being fatigued, & complaining that they had long fasted, & their Party being small, and Tamby Modr. thinking, that he had no Orders to go far, they returned from the Pursuit—This Morning the Son of Lahupana Korale, who accompanied the Adikar in his Flight, has returned to his Village, (but I have not yet seen him) with Intelligence, that the Adikar escaped last Night by the Road from Halmessa, accompanied latterly by no more than 5 Persons, to Hettymula, which is 4 or 5 Miles distance from hence on the high Road to Attapitiya—

The Adikar had thus yesterday another fair Opportunity of placing himself in our Power, but probably thinks it imprudent to take his Resolution prematurely, & intends to adhere to the Plan stated in his last Ola—I omitted to mention in my Letter of yesterday, that my Messenger to the Adikar met us on our March at Day break, having left the Adikar a short time before Midnight at Pini-deniya, then ignorant of the March of our Troops. The Adikar sent a Verbal Answer, that his Views had been sufficiently made known to us in his former Olas—That there was at present altogether 11 Chiefs with him, that the King's Relations are expected at Attapitiya, but no Intelligence had been recd. of their Arrival—

I hear, that Lahupana Korale with the People of his Village are come to make their Appearance—A few People of some Villages in the 4 K., which we have left behind us, appeared yesterday & this Morning, but no Chief of any Importance. I return Mr. Lusignan's Letter dated Trincomalee Jany. 8th.—If no Detachment can be ready to march from Batecalao before Feby. 20th. it appears to me advisable to abandon that Route altogether—

I beg to know, whether Circumstances will render it necessary for the Detachment to remain at Iddamalpana so long, that I could without Inconvenience go for 1 Day to Colombo—During its Stay I would recommend, that every Facility be made for bringing in Advance as large a Store of Provisions as procurable for future Operations—

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3 Messengers have just arrived from the Mohottale of a King's Village Deydigama 3 or 4 Miles from hence, requesting a small Detachment to be sent thither to take Possession, upon which himself & all the People will appear. The Crops on the Ground & all the other Royal Rights in the Country must of Course be secured for Govt.—I think it possible that considerable Supplies in Paddy might be obtained from the 4 K. for Money, especially after the Harvest, if Your Excellency would authorise the.....

I have the honour &c.

H. E. the Govr. Colombo—

Iddamalpana Jany. 22d. 1815. 6 PM.

Dear Sir,

Having no Business of greater Importance yesterday, I went in the Afternoon with an Escorttowards the Village Deydigama, of which the Mohottale had expected.....to appear. On my Road I met first Ilipangomuwe.....farther the Mohottale of Deydigama with 2 other principal.....accompanied by 40 or 50 Men, all on their Way to make their Appearance.....As they stated.....Inhabitants of several other Villages would attend in the Morning, & one of my Objects was to look after the Royal Grain, I pursued my Journey, but rested for the Night at Tuntota Ambalam which I reached near Dusk.—This Morning early I rode first to the Village Meynikkadawara, & next to Deydigama, both King's Villages, & equidistant about 1 Mile from Tuntota, the former in a WNW., & the latter in nearly a Northerly Direction—The Store of last Year's Paddy in both Villages is said to have been exhausted,—The Crop of this Year is almost fit for reaping, but it is damaged by the Drought. The Extent of Royal Land sown in Meypikkadawara is 6 Amms., in Deydigama 9½ Do.—I instructed the Mohottale to cause it to be reaped & threshed, as usual, & to secure the Produce, till he receives the Orders of this Govt.—

I saw altogether to-day, I think, between 250 & 300 Men, the Inhabts. of 13 or 14 Villages; & I gave them a Copy of the Govt. Proclamation—

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They said, that they were only apprehensive of Danger from the King's Troops, & requested our Protection, of which I gave them full Assurances—I have conversed with Major Hook & am of Opinion, that it would be advisable to advance a Post as far as Hettiyamula or its Neighbourhood, for the better Protection of those Villages, which have made their Appearance—

Kinigama Korale & his Brother, Persons of great Influence in this Korle, whose House near Iddamalpana was on our first Arrival plundered by some People of the 3 K., have both made their Appearance to-day & whilst I write, Bambaragomuwe Korale, whose House is close to this Place, has also arrived—The *Inhabitation of that distant Part of the 4 K., which is adjacent to the 7 K., have not yet attended; but every Chief of greatest Influence in the Beligal K., has now made his Appearance, & I have Satisfaction in stating, that they have done so, whilst our Adikar & the Disave of the 3 K., are still residing in Palangomuwe Watte—Kinigama Korale accompanied the Adikar as far as Hettiyamule, & is come to his Village with Leave—He states, that the Adikar is decidedly inclined to join us, but waits till our Troops have so far advanced, that the King will leave Kandy, & his Relations have the Opportunity of escaping—He stated, & seemed to make a Merit of the Circumstance, that no People of the 4 K., have stood to fire upon our Troops—

A Report was brought this Afternoon, but requires Confirmation, that the King's Troops have been burning Houses in the Village Nelundeniya, whose Inhabitants made their Appearance before me to-day.

I have the honor &c.

H. E. The Govr. Colombo—

Iddamalpana Jany. 22d. 1815.—

Sir,

I have reed. your Note of yesterday, & have written to the Disave of the 3 K. requesting him to furnish 200 Coolies for the Work of the Fortifica-

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tions. But I do not believe, that this Number can be procured—I request to know, whether you have any Instructions for issuing to these Coolies Rice or Pay.

I have the honor &c.

Capt. Schneider Ruwanweylle.

Iddamalpana Jany. 24th. 1815.—

Dear Sir,

Since my Letter of the 22d. no very important Occurrence has taken place, but many People with the inferior Chiefs of 12 or 14 more Villages have made their Appearance, & have recd. from me Assurances of Protection & Security—amongst others a few Inhabitants of 2 or 3 Villages in advance of this Place, who after appearing before me were returning to their Home yesterday Evening unsuspecting of Danger, but unexpectedly found the Adikar & his People in possession of the village Galigomuwa, & Kahagalle Korale with another Man fell into his Hands—

Major Hook & myself fully concurring in the Impolicy of retreating to occupy the Position suggested in Major Willerman's Letter, & in the Expediency or rather necessity of advancing for the Protection of those Villages, whose Inhabitants have declared themselves in our Favour, a Detachment was sent forward yesterday to take Possession of Hettymulla, & in consequence of what occurred last Night, a Detachment has been sent this Morning to take Post at Galigomuwa, in the great Road leading from Balane to Beligala, which I conceive will effectually protect the Beligal K., & afford an Opportunity to the Inhabts. of the Parts adjacent to the 7 K. to make their Appearance—without Dread of the King's Power. Major Hook & myself intend to move forward to Hettymulla this Afternoon.

The Adikar, I hear, withdrew last Night from Galigomuwa to Ambanpitiye, & is since gone 2 or 3 Miles beyond it—

The Report, that the King's Troops had been burning Houses in the Village Nelundeniya was unfounded.—

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I am happy to say, that our Cause has hitherto prospered beyond my Expectations in the hither Parts of the 4 K., placed within the Protection of our Forces, & I hope that by the additional Influence of their Example, we shall find a correspondent Disposition in the Chiefs & People, as we approach the Hills—

The *Adikar wrote yesterday to inform, that Indisposition will prevent him from moving for 2 Days, & the Disawe of the 3 K. will accompany him—

I have just been favoured with Your Excellency's Letter of yesterday, & rejoice to find that the Advance of our Troops to Hettymulle, which Circumstances here seemed to render expedient, meets with Yr. Excellency's Approbation—

I have just recd. Letters from Major Kelly through the Saffragam K., & forward herewith one addressed to Yr. Excellency—

I have the honor &c.

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I recd. Intelligence yesterday of the Retreat of the Insurgents from the 7 K.—

Jany. 24th. Reached our Encampment near Hettymulle Ambalam at 5½ PM.—

„ 25th. Set off from Hettymulle for Colombo 5½—reached Iddamalpana 7.35 AM. On Horseback came to Mattamagoda at 11½—Met there & conversed for a few Minutes with the Adikar Eyheylepola & Disawe of 3 K., accompanied by 300 Men on their way to Iddamalpana. Reached our Post at Ruwanweylle at 2 PM.—Embarked in a Pade & reached Hanweylle at 11½ PM.—

„ 26th. Reached Colombo in Palanquin from Hanweylle at 5¾ AM. Spent the Day at Colombo—

„ 27th. Spent the Day at Colombo—

„ 28th. Set off for the Kandyan Country at 1 AM.—Reached Hanweylle at 6½—Stopped an Hour for Coolies—Reached Avissahawella at 11—

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Ruwanweylle, Jany. 28th. 1815—

My dear Sir,

I have recd. your Letter of the 24th., & have no Doubt, that ere this you will have heard of the Arrival of the Rice at Batugedere—My Instructions in the Beginning were that the Head Men should request your Orders, at what time & to what Place the Provisions should be conveyed, & the Adikar informed me, that Coolies should be furnished to carry it—

I believe, it is intended, that after entering the Province of Uwa, your Detachment would be supplied with Provisions from Hambantotte through Weyllewawa, as the easiest Route, but of Course you will receive Advices on the subject from Head Quarters—

I write by this Conveyance to the Head Man in Charge of the Rice at Batugedere, to request your Orders with respect to detaining 2 Pades at Batugedere, for the Purposes mentioned in your Letter, of conveying back the Sick, & useless Stores—& not to send all the Rice at once, but in such Quantities & at such Periods as you may direct—

I have been down to Colombo for 2 Days, & am now on my Way to rejoin Major Hook's Division, which is ordered to march forward, & will reach Ganeteynne at the foot of the Balane Mountain on the 30th.—

Col. O'Connel's Division marched from hence at 2 o'clock this Afternoon for Mattamagoda—

I am Dear Sir etc.

To Major Kelly

Commg. 3d. Division, Balangoda—

Iddamalpana Jany. 29th. 1815—5 AM.—

My dear Sir,

In consequence of the Govr.'s Desire, I caused to be brought from the Kandyan Country a Number of Pads & Sacks for loading Bullocks, but most of them being in some degree torn, I employed People to repair them, & these are now at this Place in charge of the Modr. in a serviceable State, & at

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your Command when required from him; a certain Number which the Modr. could not state to me exactly, as I passed hastily yesterday, but is directed to inform you immediately, sending Account of a few Expences incurred in repairing them.

I remain yours &c.

To Col. Kerr
&c. &c.

PS. It will not be in my power to procure any Paddy at Ruwanweylle, but I have hopes of succeeding in the 4 K.—

Hettymulla Jany. 29th. 1815—

Dear Sir,

I had previously requested the Adikar to procure some Coolies from the 4 K. to assist in forwarding Provisions. As I am writing an Ola to him to-day, I have desired him to send you, all whom he can collect, but am entirely uncertain, what Number can be furnished or at what time—

Major Hook marched early this Morning for Attapitiya, leaving Lieut. Tranchell & a party of 30 Men to bring up Provisions—

I am, yr. etc.

J. D'Oyly

To Lt. Col. O'Connell Commg. 2d. Division.

Ganeteynne, Jany. 30th. 1815—5½ AM.

Dear Sir,

I joined Major Hook's Detachment at Attapitiya yesterday.....having accompanied the Advance of Col. O'Connell's Division from Iddamalpana to Hettymulle, & proceeded from thence in the Afternoon with.....7 Malays—

I learn from Major Hook, that 3 Chiefs of respectability came to him yesterday Evening with a Message from the Adikar Molligoda to state that he cannot join us till our Troops have entered Kandy—

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A Kandyan Inhabt. of a neighbouring Village, who says,.....Morning by the Adikar to give Information regarding the Road from hence to Weywuda, states, that this Adikar was last Night at Alutnuwara & came this Morning to Manikkawa in the great Road, sending Word to the King's Relations (who are said to have retired last Night into the Forests of Balane Kanda) to come also & oppose our Progress—with the View, it is alleged, of preserving Appearances, or of placing them in our Power.

Our Detachment marched from Attapitiya, this Afternoon at about 3½ and crossed the River to Ganeteynne at about 10 Min. before 5—The Enemy made no serious Opposition, but fired a few straggling Shots at 5 or 6 Places in the Road, & immediately fled as the Troops advanced—

I have as yet received no Communication from the Adikar & the time would scarcely allow it, but I hope to obtain in the course of to-morrow at least some Intelligence of his Movements & Intentions.

Our Adikar & the Disave of the 3 K. I invited yesterday to proceed forwards to Hettymulla. Whilst there is a hope of speedily gaining over the other Adikar, I think it politic to keep them rather in the rear.

I have &c.

H. E. the Governor Colombo.

Ganeteynne Jany. 31st. 1815. 8 PM.

Dear Sir,

No Communication whatever has been recd. from the Adikar to-day—Nor have any Chiefs of Consequence in the Upper Part of the 4 K. made their Appearance, but merely a few inferior Chiefs & people of the neighbouring Villages. The greater Part of the Inhabts. of the Villages near our camps, & in the Vicinity of the Road, are still with their Families in the Jungle, but I hope, a few Days may produce a favourable Change—

The People of the 4 K. are undoubtedly withheld from joining us by the Examples & Influence of the Adikar, whose Conduct, to say the least, is very ambiguous, but according to his own Plan,

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which has been intimated to us, must necessarily be so, & carrying the features of Deception—We hear to-day that he has been attempting violent Measures to compel the People of the Country to join him in Arms—

According to the last Report, which I recd. this Evening, he had fled to Aranayaka a Village about 2 Leagues from hence near the Hills of Uda Palata—

The Lekams are said to have fled to the Hills S. of Balane, & the King's Relations to have ascended Balane by the high Road—

Major Hook will have acquainted Your Excellency the Result of the Expedition late last Night to Mahantegama about 4 Miles from this Place, of which I was not apprized till this Morning. The 3 Prisoners have been released with a Singaleze Ola, which I wrote at his Request in the Hope of doing away in some Degree the injurious Effects, which, I fear, will be produced in the Minds of the Inhabts. by this Exercise of the Severities of War—

I have recd. an Ola to-day from the Adikar of rather a discouraging Nature, stating that he does not yet perceive a Cordial Disposition in the Minds of the People of the 4 K., who have appeared, that no suitable Measures have yet been adopted, nor the Charge delivered to himself—That he thinks it advisable to station Guards in the Parts adjacent to the 7 K.—That he has no sufficient Guard for his own Person—& some Accident may befall him from his Enemies. That the Forces, which now attend on him, will in 3 or 4 Days be compelled to depart for want of Provisions, & he proposes, that himself should proceed with our Detachment to Kandy, either by the Roads of Uwa or of the 7 K.—

It is now almost too late for the Adikar to alter his Route, & it appears to me, that his Influence is rather more necessary in these Parts to fulfil his Promises, with regard to the people of the 4 K., Udunuwara & Yati Nuwara in particular: And as I think it highly desirable to bring with us, as Auxiliaries to Kandy a certain Number of Armed Men from the Saffragam K. & the 3 K., I recommend, that they be supplied with..... Rice at Ruwanweylle—There are about 300 Armed

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Men in the Train of the Adikar & the Disawe, & I beg to know with as little Delay as possible, whether Your Excellency would authorise that Quantity to be issued to them—

I cannot conclude without offering my Opinion, that till the 4 K. have declared more decidedly in our Favour, Posts of moderate Strength will be required in the great Road, especially in the higher Parts of it, to maintain the Communication—

Major Hook commences his March for the 7 K. to-morrow Morning before Daylight.

I have the honor etc.

H. E. The Governor Colombo.

Ganeteynne, Feby. 1st. 1815—

.....Moment only recd. at this Place your Letter of Jany. 28th. from.....*not so precisely acquainted with the Orders for your March; as*
.....24. *I did not think myself authorised* to give.....be provided in readiness.....
.....carry the Rice.....to the Adik....who is.....toward this P.....

heavy Baggage might be sent, meeting the Route of the other Division, which is to march from Hambantotte through Weyllawawa—But of this you will necessarily obtain far better Information in the Saffragam K., than I am capable of giving—

Major Hook's Division, which I re-joined at Attapitiya, reached Ganeteynne in the Afternoon of the 30th., having met with no other Opposition, than a few straggling Shots in the front & flanks—Major Hook's Division marched this Morning along the foot of the Hills towards the 7 K., & Col. O'Connell's Division has this Morning occupied the same Ground at this Place—

I remain etc. etc.

Major Kelly etc.
Balangoda—

Ganeteynne Feby. 2d. 1815—

Dear Sir,

Yesterday Afternoon about 4 o'clock, as a Detachment of 100 Men was ready to march towards Mahantegama in pursuance of Col.

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O'Connell's Orders, 4 or 5 Shots were heard in that Direction. Col. O'Connell & myself accompanied the Detachment, & found that they had been fired without any apparent Cause, from a Hill about a Mile distant from hence just above the Valley through which we passed—We proceeded a little beyond Molligoda the Paternal Village & Family Residence of the Adikar & Disave of the 3 K., & the Detachment was posted a little on this Side of it, in a few Buildings near an "unfinished Temple. It is a beautiful Romantic Valley abounding in well cultivated Paddy fields & Gardens—About 8 PM. Hiyambalapitiye Mohottale, who is in the confidence of the Adikar, came to the Camp, & being admitted, said, that he is sent by the Adikar to enquire after my Health, to assure me of his Friendship, to ask on what Day our Troops will ascend the Hills, because he shall then be enabled to withdraw his Relations from the King's Power & will thereupon immediately join us with the People of the 4 K.—

He replied to my Enquiries, that the Adikar was yesterday in the Neighbourhood of Alutnuwara, that the few Shots which we heard in the Afternoon, were fired for the mere purpose of conveying to the Balane Mountains, the Report of War waging against us, that the Adikar would send no Armed Forces to attack our Troops on their Way, or in our Posts, but fire empty Shots occasionally, as yesterday, to preserve the Appearance of his Fidelity to the King & Hostility to us—

I returned a Civil Message expressing the Gratification I should feel in seeing him—That I cannot now state, on what Day our Troops will ascend the Hills, but I trust very little Delay will take place: & I added, that I should consider it a Proof of his Friendship if he continues to conduct himself in the Manner above promised, & especially if he contrived the Escape of Golaheyla Nilame (a Brother-in-law of our Adikar, who has long been imprisoned at Dumbuluwawa, & whose Removal to Kandy, I heard, is threatened by 2 King's Messengers who arrived yesterday) & I shall esteem it a Proof of the Contrary, if he suffers him to be carried away—

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This Chief was rather inquisitive regarding the March of the Division to the 7 K., the Day on which we should ascend Balane & the cause of our Delay & said that he would bring an Ola to me from the Adikar as a Proof of his Sincerity—

This Morning one of his Attendants has arrived & states, that the Adikar is at Alutnuwara, & has declared to Hiyambalapitiye Mohottale for my Information that he will delay for 3 Days the Execution of the Order agt. Golaheyla Nilame. I replied, that I expected from him the Accomplishment of his Escape—The Danger of his near Relations is unquestionably a most plausible Ground for the Adikar's temporising Conduct—& I think we may place some Reliance on the 2 Tests above mentioned—In Confirmation of one, I can state, that since our Arrival at Ganeteyne on the 30th. neither our Troops, or Followers of our Camp have met with Attack or Molestation—Single Persons have carried Letters uninterrupted, & of my own Servants, 2 arrived here yesterday, & 3 to-day from Colombo, entirely unguarded, whilst the Adikar & many of the Inhabitants of the 4 K. are not more than 2 Miles from the Road between Attapitiya & this Place—& if not disposed to Forbearance, might with the greatest Ease intercept them—

There is a considerable Quantity of Paddy in the Granary at Molligoda, for the Delivery of which I have obtained Authority from the Disawe of the 3 K., but I think it right in Courtesy to request the Permission of the Adikar his Brother, with whom I am in Communication—

More Inhabts. of the neighbouring Villages have made their Appearance yesterday & to-day, but no Chief of any Importance in this Part of the 4 K.—The Adikar has destroyed the House & disposed of the Property of Kalwana Aratchy, who appeared before Major Hook at Attapitiya—

It is reported, that many of the King's Malabar Relations in Kandy are at Variance with him, & reproach him with his Tyrannical Measures, adopted contrary to their Counsels, which are bringing ruin on his Family & Kingdom—7 or 8 Shots of Matchlock Guns were heard to-day about Noon in the same Direction as yesterday, from the

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Adikar's People, & so far his Actions correspond with the tenor of his Message communicated to me last Night—A reconnoitring Party sent to-day up the Balane Hill having been fired at on the Road, was re-inforced by Major Moffatt with 150 Men. They advanced, & passed one Battery in Pursuit, & we have not yet learnt, how far they are pushing their Successes.—

I have the honour &c.

H. E. The Govr. Road from Colombo.

Ganeteynne Febry. 2d. 1815—8 PM.—

Dear Sir,

I have closed my Letter, but write one Line to state, what will be reported officially by Col. O'Connell, that Major Moffatt's Detachment, according to a Note just recd., has passed the strong Gravet of Balane, which, I understand, was abandoned on his Approach & taken post at Amunugama, the same, I believe, with Amunupura, $\frac{1}{4}$ League beyond it according to Singaleze Computation—

I sincerely rejoice, that the reputed Difficulties of the Balane Mountain have been surmounted with so much Facility, & that Yatinuwara & the Capital are so fairly opened to our Troops—

I have the honour to be &c.

H. E. the Govr. Road from Colombo—

Ganeteynne Febry. 3d. 1815—7 PM.—

Dear Sir,

I rode with Col. O'Connell this Morning to the Post occupied by our Detachment at Amunupura about $1\frac{1}{2}$ beyond Balana Gravet, being a fine Hill in a Commanding Situation—& I am just returned—We arrived there from Ganeteynne in $1\frac{1}{2}$ Hours including all Delays, & I returned in 1 Hr. 20 Mins.—The whole Distance, I think, rather falls short of, than exceeds 4 Miles, & the previous Reports of its arduous Ascent from this Side have not been exaggerated beyond the truth—

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I went forward from Amunupura, with an Escort of 4 Soldiers, in the hope of finding some Natives, & for the purpose of affixing some Govt. Proclamations which I did at 3 different Public Places in the Road—

The Extent of my Excursion was about 2 Miles to Walgowagoda, where I found a Palace erected for the King, containing many Apartments united, built with Mud Walls, white-washed & thatched with Straw—The Interior was not quite finished & seemed to be in a State of Preparation, but I hear, was occupied by the King's Relations, who lately came down with the Troops from Kandy—

The Fields were every where full of standing Paddy, & the Villages comparatively numerous & well cultivated, but all was for the Moment deserted. However, about 1 PM., some Natives were seen at a Distance with a White Flag, & a Korale with about 20 Natives made their Appearance with the Inhabts. of 2 or 3 Neighbouring Villages—They of Course.....ment with Promise of Protection, & said that many more will make their Appearance. Later in the Afternoon a Native arrived with the Message from the Chief of Yatinuwara, stating, that the King had sent Messengers directing his Attendance in Kandy, that he remains concealed in the Jungle, & will join us, as soon as the Troops arrive at Ganoruwa—

I learnt further from these Natives, that the King's Relations, (of whom one of superior Rank was on Horseback) retreated last Night to Dodanwala—about 3 or 4 Miles beyond Amunupura; & had directed the people of Yatinuwara to assemble in Arms to-day at Weykepitiya, near that Place, but no one had complied with the Order—That a Battery had been erected & mounted with Cannon on the other Side of the River at Geytambe, where the King designs to make a Stand, & if he is defeated, to kill his People & leap into the Lake—The King is said to have put to death 3 Chiefs, & to have impaled at Ganoruwe a Pattany Soldier, who fled from the 7 K.—

It was my Wish to remain at Amunupura, but as our Affairs are still unsettled with Molligoda Adikar, I thought it preferable to return to

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Ganeteynne, especially under the Expectation of seeing Yr. Excellcy. here to-morrow—

The Adikar's People fired again to-day before Noon, near 20 Shots of Matchlock Guns, from nearly the same Spot, as yesterday—

I have found at this Place Mr. Sutherland's Note dated yesterday from Ruwanweylle—In consequence of a Letter which I recd. from Major Kelly dated Balangoda Jany. 28th., I wrote immediately to the Adikar, requesting that every Exertion might be made to forward the Provisions from Batugedere, & every possible Assistance be given to our Troops by the People of Saffragam in passing Idalgashinna—& I now write again to the same Effect—

I return Major Kelly's Letter of the 28th., & enclose for Yr. Excellcy.'s Perusal a Letter of the 30th. just recd. from him. His Letters of the 25th. & 28th. I answered as soon as recd. I do not precisely know the Situation of the Village Wellongasthe, but conjecturing, that it lies S. of Idalgashinna, or rather of Halpe Kadawata, & that it cannot be far from the Route laid down for the Division from Hambantotte through Weyllawawa, I recommend, that the Commg. Officer of it be apprized of the Forces said to be here assembled, & instructed to attack them if within Reach—

I have the honor &c.

H. E. The Govr., Road from Colombo—

Major Willerman continues at Amunupura, not inclined to repeat with a disabled Foot the Labours of the Balane Mountain—

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Dear Sir,

A Serjeant of the Cavalry has made Application to me for Paddy, & states, that 160 Seers are required pr. Day—I believe there is no Deficiency of Paddy in the Country, but the Inhabts. have removed it out of the Way, & I do not think it possible to obtain this Quantity immediately without having Recourse to the Adikar's Granary—

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In answer to the Message which I sent, the Adikar said, that his Brother the Disawe had no Concern with that Paddy, & that we might do what we pleased with it. But the Key of the Granary is in his Possession, & he ordered a Kankan, who was in Charge of the House, to leave it—From this I conclude, that he does not give a willing Consent, & that if it be taken, he designs, that it should be done by Force—

Under these Circumstances, I beg Yr. Excellcy.'s Directions, whether the Store shall be opened, & the immediate wants of the Cavalry supplied from it,—keeping an exact Account of all the Issues.....80 Seers are wanted for this Evening, & I await Yr. Excellcy.'s Answer—

I have the honour &c.

H. E. the Governor, Attapitiya.

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My dear Sir,

H. Ey., I believe, has written to state, that at his Desire I would acquaint you with the Plan of an attempt, which I suggested to him, to intercept the King's Retreat from Kandy—For believing, that he is now in Kandy, & will not leave it till our Troops have forced the Passage of the *River, his Person will be found far more easily now, than then after his Retreat into the remote Provinces; & it is certainly politic to attempt the Termination of the War in one Day—& at one Blow—

I propose, that this should be effected in Concert with Major Hook's Division & by the Night March of Detachments both from his Division & from Col. O'Connell's—That both Divisions should march forward by the great Road to take Possession of Kandy on the Morning of the 9th.—That after Dusk on the Evening of the 8th. the Detachments should commence their Night March—

The Detachment of 150 Men from Major Hook's Division should march down the Left Bank of the Mahaweyli Ganga across the Pinga Oye into Dumbara—Dividing itself into 2 Parties, one should occupy, before Daylight the Pass of the

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River at Alutgamtota—the other should cross the River at a fordable Ferry near Leweylle, called Eytwala Padiya, & occupy the Road leading from Borawey Widiya to Leweylle & Kundasale—

There is, I understand, a Path leading to Dumbara from the great Road of Giriagama, near Uduwawala Siyambalagaha Ambalam—Whether there is any other more Secret & more eligible, I am not aware, but better Information will be obtained on the Spot; & I think highly desirable, that for this Enterprize, Tamby Modr. & a Party of the Kandyan & free Malays should immediately join Major Hook—For they know the Paths & will conduct Matters well—

The other Detachment of (100 or 125) Men from Col. O'Connel's Division should leave the great Road by Night at Walgowagoda, cross the Mahaweyli Ganga near Miwatura Ferry & passing through the Forest, reach before Day light the Neighbourhood of *Kumarup Widiya by which it is probable, that the King will retreat—

All these Parties should be instructed even after Day light, to be concealed, if possible in the Jungle near the Road, till a suitable Object presents itself—stationing one or 2 Natives to watch what is passing—

As the utmost Secrecy is necessary, I recommend, that no Enquiries regarding these Roads be made from the Natives, who frequent our Camp, because among them, I know, there will be Spies; & one Man tho' not a Spy, will probably tell 10 Companions all that is said to him—

Yours very truly &c.

Major Willerman &c. Amunupura.

Ganoruwe Febry. 12th. 1815—12½ PM.—

Dear Sir,

Capt. Brownrigg will have acquainted Your Excellency, with our Arrival at this Place a little before 7 AM.—Before the Lapse of 1½ Hours, the People of the Neighbouring Villages began to make their Appearance—I have seen altogether about 150 of them—& I dispatched by one of the first the Letter to Major Hook at Katugastotte—

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Many of the Inhabts. were fervent in their Expressions of Joy at their Deliverance from the King's cruelties, which the shocking Exhibition of the Remnants of impaled Bodies present to our Sight on both Sides of the River; one the Body of a Moorman, who fled from the 7 K., & was executed 8 or 10 Days ago—The rest about 15 in Number on the Eastern Bank, of the Chiefs of the 7 K.—I have seen 5 or 6 Kandyans, who left Kandy last Night & this Morning—They concur in stating, that our Troops have reached Katugastota, that the King with his Malabar Relations & Dependents left Kandy the Night before last, & that the Place is deserted—

Major Moffatt, (the Remainder of whose Detachment arrived here about an Hour ago) will march forward without Delay, according to Yr. Excellency's Instructions communicated to him to prevent the City from Plunder—if any Property remains—

I have the honour &c.

H. E. the Govr. Amunupura—

Kandy Feby. 12th. 1815—

Dear Sir,

I arrived here with Major Moffatt's Detachment in about $\frac{3}{4}$ of an Hour from Ganoruwe at about 2 o'clock this Afternoon without the slightest Opposition—

We were accompanied from Ganoruwe by 15 or 20 Kandyans of Yatinuwere, but found this City entirely deserted & the Houses destitute of all Property, except Mats, Baskets, Chatties &c.—After halting the Troops & looking all round the Place, no more convenient Spot could be found, for the present Exigency, than the Road Side just without Wadugodapitiya Widiya Gravet, where the Troops are now encamped—

I am just returned from a Walk all over the Palace with Major Moffatt; & a Guard will be placed over it. But with respect to the Property in it requiring Protection it contains chiefly broken Chests & Boxes & Rubbish in abundance.

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the Symptoms of many Articles removed but nothing else more valuable than some Copper & Glass Panes—But I should mention two Cohorns & 3 or 4 Ginjalls found in the Palace, & in the 3 different Places in the Environs three Iron Cannon about the Size of 6 Pounders—

No Person has since been found except 2 Inhabts. of Hewaheyta, who were taken just without the City by the People of Yatinuwere. They named a Village in Dumbara, to which some of the King's Property is said to have been removed, but profess to know nothing of the King's Flight—I hope some of the Inhabts. will make their Appearance to-morrow, & afford me the Means of procuring Intelligence—

I have the honour &c.

Kandy Feby. 13th. 1815—

Dear Sir,

I have just seen a Man sent to me by Tamby Modr., who informs, that he left Dumbara yesterday—That the King is at Teldeniya, 2 Leagues beyond Leweylle Ferry, that some Chiefs with 2000 Men were building 2 Batteries on this side of it, & that People were carrying Rice (a Quantity of about 200 Parrahs) from Degaldoruwe, about a mile beyond Leweylle, to Hurikaduwe.

H. E. The Govr. Amunupura—

Tamby Modr. whom I saw in the Afternoon, before I saw the Messenger, requested, that he might *sent with some Malays to seize the Rice; & that Yr. Excellcy. might be informed of it—As the Messenger says, all the Rice will by this time have been removed from Degaldoruwe, I doubt, whether it is worth while, without an ulterior Object, to send them so far—

I recd. this Afternoon a Message from our Adikar, informing that he had arrived at the River, that the People of Udunuwara & Yatinuwara had come to him with Tomtoms &c., & requesting to

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know in what Manner he should enter the Capital—I sent Word, that I thought he should enter Kandy in the same Manner as first Adikars have heretofore been accustomed, i.e. without Tomtoms & he arrived accordingly at Dusk, accompanied by a great Concource of People, sending a Message to the same Effect, as before, after passing my Lodging.

I have the honour &c.

H. E. The Govr. Wellatte.

Hakkeytuwagala Feby. 16th. 1815.

Dear Sir,

I preceded the Adikar this Morning from Kandy, & finding myself much in Advance, came leisurely, visiting on my Way the King's Granary at Dambarawa, which was empty, & reached this Place about 10½—

About an Hour before, we heard some Firing in front, & on my arrival I am happy to say, found Lt. Mylius' Detachment in possession of 17 Malabar Prisoners, Part of the King's Relations & Dependents, of whom I enclose a List, as well as of 3 killed & 1 wounded—

On its Approach to this Place 10 or 12 Shots were fired at our Detachment by a Party consisting, it is supposed, of about 50 Men, & the Malays spreading themselves around, intercepted their Retreat, & took many of them Prisoners—

Muttal Samy had laboured some time under the King's Displeasure, & had been in Confinement, but I understand was since released, & sent in Arms with the other Malabars to oppose us—He states, that he came to-day to the Ferry of the River with the Intention of joining us, but could not cross over for want of a Dony—

It is said, the King is at Meyda Maha Nuwara & I hope the People of the Country will enable us to discover his Retreat. I met on my Way many Inhabts. of Dumbara & more are flocking in from the neighbouring Villages.

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7 more Malabars have been brought in by the Country People, & I subjoin their Names to the List. They will all be dispatched to Kandy to-day—& I believe, we shall rest in this Neighbourhood for the Night.

I have the honor &c.

H. E. The Governor Kandy.

List of Malabar Prisoners taken at
Hakkeytuwagala Feb'y. 7th.

Muttal Samy—Son of the King's Mother's younger
Sister—

Kanneiya Samy—Wounded—

Bangala Samy—his younger Brother—

Dese Samy—Nayakkara—King's Relation.

Samy Kumara—Married to the King's *Sister's
Daughter—

Perumal Nayaka—Son of the †elder Sister of
Muttal Samy—

Nalla Kanne Samy Dewiyo—

Kanneiya Samy—Son of Nalla Kanne's Mother's
Brother—

Chitta Rama—Servant—

Kumara—Do—

Narayana—Boy-Relation of Kumara—

Satti Murtti—Slave—

Kondeiya—Slave—

Chinna—Cooly—fled from Colombo

Mutu Karppen—Cooly—from Tondiman—

Adikken—Do—

Gangarama—Sannasi—Beggar—

Killed—

Loku Ramasamy Nayakkara—

Alagiri—Soldier—or Cooly—

Maduge Appu—of Hurikaduwa—

Wounded in the Leg—A Singaleze of Dumbara—

Since brought as prisoners by the Singaleze—

Wengada Samy—Son of the Sister of Bangala
Samy's Mother—

Ramen—Servant—

Kuppan—Do—

* Wife of Meda Wahala Nayaka Unnanse (Note in text).

† Married to Wengada Samy (Note in text).

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 Ramasamy—Son of Elder Brother of Kanneiya Samy—
 Wiranna—Servant—
 Wirago— Do—

Brought in afterwards in the Evening—
 Ratu Subhaya Nayakara—
 Wengada Samy—his younger Sister's Son—
 Subana—Cooly—
 Rama Kristna—Servant—

Brought in Febry. 17th.—
 Dalawa Kumara Samy—25 Years of Age.
 Born in Buweylikada—The King's
 Sinnaya Samy—50—Brother-in-law of Perumal
 Samy of Colombo—
 Kalandara—Soldier—55—
 Kannu Samy—Pensioner—50—
 Kandan—Soldier—of Jaffna—30—
 Muttu—of Tuttucorin—Taken Prisoners
 Muruga—of Colombo— in time of
 Bastian—of Colombo— Major Davie.
 Subarayin—Palamkotta—23—Servant of Sanga-
 linga Kanakkapulle—
 Wengada—of Tanjore—16—Servant of Krisnaya—
 Katta Peruma—20—Servt. of Nagama Nayak-
 kara—
 Muttu—35—Servt. of Katti Kanneiya—
 Maleyappa—36—Servt. of Sangalinge Kanakka-
 pulle—

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 Kadiresan—Servant—taken in Meyda Maha
 Nuwere—
 Wenkada Samy—at Kundasale—Elder Brother of
 the King by a different Mother—
 Perumal Nayakkara—at Kundasale—

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Dear Sir,

I have recd. Information, that several Malabars,
 and it is reported amongst others, 3 Widows of the

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*late King, have taken Refuge in the Village Maguloluwa, which belongs to a larger Village Eytanwala in Matale. As I believe Major Mackay's Division has at present little other Employment, I beg leave to recommend, that a Party be detached from it in that Direction for the purpose of securing them—

4 more Malabars were brought from the Jungle yesterday Evening: & another this Morning Dalawa Samy said to be a Relation of the King—It is reported that another Kumarasamy is concealed in the Neighbourhood, & People have been sent in Search—

Intelligence having been brought this Day about Noon, that 25 more Malabars & 4 Horses were 2 or 3 Miles distant in front at Rambukkeyle, 25 Malays have been sent at my Request by Lt. Mylius, & it is hoped that the People of the Village may in the Interim have been able to detain them—

The Adikar has requested me to state, that he recd. a Message from Millawa Nilame elder Brother of the Chief of Harispattuwa, signifying that he had recd. a Message to wait upon Yr. Excellency.—The Adikar supposes this to be untrue, & believing him to be a Person unworthy of Confidence, recommends that he should not be yet admitted to Yr. Excellency's Presence—

The Vidan of a King's Village Dambarawa has given to me the Account of sundry King's Property entrusted to his Charge—Of this I have caused to be brought & delivered to Lt. Mylius 32 Firelocks. For the Rest consisting of 62 Old Gun barrels buried in a Hole, 22 Boxes of Cloths, 7 of Brass Utensils he has signed an Ola to be responsible when called upon—& I think it preferable not to take them at present, because it would divert our own & the Adikar's People from our principal Object, & lead their Attention to the dangerous Pursuit of Plunder & be the Signal for others to make away with Property committed to them—He has also in Charge, according to Account, 125 Measures of Rice & 30 Amms. of Paddy, which as our Troops here are at present

* Rájádhirája Sipa.

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well supplied, may await our Return—unless required in Kandy immediately—

It is reported, that the King is at Potdalgoda, about 3 Miles beyond Meyda Maha Nuwara, but I believe he does not remain long in one Place—No Inhabitants of that Part of the Country have yet joined us, & to engage their Appearance & Cooperation, which is of such essential Importance we propose to advance 3 or 4 Miles to-morrow—The Time being arrived, when Gold may probably be employed with Success, I beg leave to request, that some Pagodas may be sent to me, with Authority to dispose of them on account of Secret Service for the Object of discovering & securing the King's Person—

I have the honor etc.

H. E. the Govr. Kandy—

PS. 5 PM. 12 more Malabars have been brought in this Afternoon by the Singaleze,—& I think it would be advisable, if a Guard were sent from Kandy early to-morrow to escort them—

I have received an Ola from Tamby Modr., informing the Arrival of the Detachment at Rambukkeylle, & reporting that the Villagers having attempted to stop, & demanded the Arms of the Malabars in the name of our Adikar, 3 of them being Relations of Budda Samy (whom Mr. North placed on the throne), immediately complied & separated. The rest wounded with their Swords 2 of the Singaleze, who attempted to seize them, & made their Escape with the Horses—The 3 Relations of Budda Samy joined our Detachment as soon as it arrived—

I hear that the 2 Disaves, to whom I sent Olas of Invitation have arrived in Kandy—Pilima Talawuwe & Kapuwatte—

Hakkeytuwagala in Dumbara, Febry. 17th. 1815—
Sir,

In Compliance with H. E.'s Desire conveyed to me in a Letter just recd. with the Enclosed, I beg leave to acquaint you, that the King is now

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supposed to be at or in the Neighbourhood of Meyda Maha Nuwara about 8 or 9 Miles East of this Place, & it is apprehended with great Probability, that on the Advance of our Forces, he will retire to the Village Mimura, situated at the Eastern Extremity of Dumbara, from whence the Way would be open for his Flight into the Countries [full of] Forest, where it may be most difficult to discover his Retreat—

[I beg therefore] Leave to suggest that a Part of your Division should remain at or near [Weragantota, guarding] the Roads from Dumbara, & that another Party consisting of 70 or 80 Men [be dispatched with] the least possible Delay to Mimura, which according to Information recd. [here is 8 or 9] Miles distant from Weragantota, & is accessible from Weragantota, where I presume, [this Letter will reach] you by a good level Road leading through Udattawa along the left Bank [of the Mahaweyli Ganga—]

It appears to me, that you will most effectually co-operate for accomplishing the Object in View by stationing Detachments at Mimura & Weragantota, as above mentioned, endeavouring to intercept the King, or his Family or Malabar Adherents, who may move in either Direction & I will acquaint you with any Change of Circumstances, which may appear to render any other Movements necessary—

I have the honor etc.

To Capt. Anderson Commg. 7th. Division from Batecalao—

I beg the favour of an Answer by the Bearer—

Hakkeytuwagala Feby. 17th. 1815—11 PM.—

Dear Sir,

I send herewith 2 Men, who will shew the Way to Eytanwala, & bear an Ola to our Adikar to the Chief of Eytanwala, instructing him to co-operate with our Detachment in the Seizure of the Malabars—

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I have recd. Yr. Excellcy.'s Letter of this Day—I have dispatched Major Willerman's Letter to Capt. Anderson with a Letter from myself, recommending that for intercepting the King's person, a Part of his Detachment be stationed at Mimura, & a Part at or near Weragan-tota—

I will communicate with the Adikar to-morrow on the other Points mentioned in Your Excellcy.'s Letter—

I have the honor etc.

H. E. The Govr. Kandy.

King's Granary—Teldeniya—Feb'y. 18th. 1815—
Dear Sir,

The Party sent in Advance yesterday, rested here last Night & we joined it this Morning at about.....after a March of about 5 Hours, incommoded during more than half the time by slight Rain, which prevented us from setting out early—We have information, that the King fled from Meyda Maha Nuwara yesterday Evening before Dusk, upon hearing of the Arrival of our Detachment at Teldeniya, it is yet unknown where he has again rested—Some Inhabts. of 2 Villages near Meyda Maha Nuwara have made their Appearance here, & *promised to co-operate, & are gone away with some Kandyan Armed Men, to guard the Passes at some little Distance, but I fear the King has escaped beyond them—

We are purposely proceeding here by slow Journies to allow Time for our Men to pre-occupy Mimura, towards which it is supposed, the King will next retreat—As the King's Relations & Malabar Dependents on the Court of Kandy are now dispersed, & in a few Days will probably be Fugitives in every Direction they may perhaps seek a Refuge near or within our Limits & I beg leave to recommend, that Orders be written immediately to all the Collectors to make diligent Enquiry after all such Emigrants from the Kandyan Country—

* when the Adikar telling them, that the Robber, who had destroyed their Country & Religion had taken Refuge in their Country demanded whether they would deliver (surrender) him up (erased in M.S.)

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The Adikar, at my Request, will immediately send Orders for collecting into our Stores all the Royal Grain in the 4 K., 7 K. & Uwa—

Information having been recd. of a Treasure of Copper Money buried under the Floor of a Room in this Granary, the Pioneers have been employed some Hours in Digging, & at the Depth of above 5 Feet, near 3 Feet are still wanting to reach a Stone Pavement, which is said to cover the Cash—

From the freshness of the Earth, there is every Appearance, that the Intelligence is correct, & I shall write again, as soon as the Copper is actually found—Its Surface is said to be about 9 Feet in Length & 6 Feet in Breadth, the Depth unknown—

I have the honor etc.

H. E. The Govr.—Kandy—

PS. 6½ PM. 5 Men have arrived with Intelligence, that the King is in a Forest about 6 Quarter Leagues from hence. Tho' I cannot altogether rely upon it as certain, it comes with such an Appearance of Credit, that according to their Request, a Detachment will be sent, with the View of attempting to intercept him, & at once terminating the War—

Mr. Barnes has arrived with a Bag of Pagodas, of which I sha[ll beg leave to] return a great Part—being much more than I shall have Occasion [to dispose of.]

King's Granary Teldeniya Febr. 19th. 1815—

Dear Sir,

I have the sincerest Joy in reporting to Yr. Excelley., that the Object of your anxious Wishes is accomplished. & the King of Kandy a Captive in our Hands—*He was surrounded yesterday by the People of Dumbara, in Conjunction with some

*He was surrounded yesterday by the people of the Udis Pattuwa in the Precincts of Meyda Maha Nuwara in conjunction with armed Men sent by the Adikar at about 5 p. m. in a house at Doraliyadde (erased) by the Inhts. of the Country in Conjunction with armed Kandyans sent yesterday by the Adikar.

at Galleyhe W. in House of Udupitiye Aratchy at Galleyhe Watte about a Mile beyond Meyda Maha Nuwara (in rough draft).

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armed Kandians sent by the Adikar in the Precincts of Meyda Maha Nuwara, & taken about an Hour before Dark in the House of Udupitiye Aratchy at Galleyhewatte a Mile beyond Meyda Maha Nuwara, with 2 of his Queens—

A few Attendants, after the House was surrounded, made a Show of Resistance, & wounded 2 or 3 Men, but fled after a few Shots from the Assailants—

I went forward with Palanquins to meet him at Rambukkeylle, & have conducted him to this Place with his Queens—from whence, after Rest & Refreshment, they will be sent to Kandy under a Sufficient Military Guard—

The King's Mother and 2 more of his Queens are at Hanweylle, & a Detachment will be sent immediately to conduct them in Safety, & to secure from Plunder any Treasure & Valuables which may be found—

I have written Ollas to be sent to the King's Relations & Nayakkaras, informing them of these Events & inviting them to come without Fear—

I have the honor etc.

H. E. the Governor Kandy—

Teldeniya Febry. 19th. 1815—[6 PM.]—

Dear Sir,

I have just recd. Yr. Excellcy.'s Note—Dated 1½ PM.—I am clearly of Opinion, that the King should be sent to Colombo without Delay, & that it is preferable to avoid all Interview between the King & Your Excellcy. under the present Circumstances, which can admit of only one decisive Course—

I conceive, that the only Sensation produced in Kandy by his Presence, can be no other than favourable to our Interests, but as the Public Exhibition of his Captivity in the Capital of his Kingdom to an injured & exasperated Nation cannot be grateful to the Feelings of a fallen Tyrant, the Route proposed by Yr. Excellcy. for conducting him to Colombo is perhaps upon all Accounts the most eligible—

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There is an intermediate Place, where he could conveniently rest at Dambarawa Granary, near Hakketuwagala, but in his Journey beyond it, either Tents or Resthouses must be prepared, & of course he will desire to be accompanied to Colombo by his other 2 Queens who probably will not reach this Place till to-morrow Evening—

As the King is entirely without suitable or even decent Apparel (which has been sent for, but is not yet arrived) & the Afternoon has been rainy he has not set off on his Journey, & according to the Plan now proposed it will be advisable for him to await either here or at Dambarawa the Arrival of his Queens, & Equipage & Apparel—

Much Valuable Property belonging to the King is said to have been plundered by the Kandians who seized him & he complains of the insulting Language & Illtreatment experienced from them, but otherwise shews no Symptoms of hurt Feelings or Depression at his Fate—

A Half Brother of the King, named Wengada Samy, with Perumal Nayakkara & 2 other Malabars have been brought in to-day from Kunda-sale, Gurudeniya & Meyda Maha Nuwara—

Our further Search for the hidden Treasure here has been interrupted by the Residence of the King & his Queens in the adjoining Room—

I have the honor to be etc.

H. E. the Govr. Kandy—

Major Willerman has arrived & begs me to say, that he will write to Yr. Excellcy. in the Morning—

Teldeniya Feby. 20th. 1815—

Dear Sir,

The Adikar, whom I have just seen, complains of Indisposition & the Unhealthiness of this Country & intends to proceed to Kandy this Day—

[A]mongst other Things, 4 Horses belonging to the King have just been sent in, by [Mr.] Mainwar[ing], who is gone with the Detachment in Advance. The Adikar [had] been very anxious

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to obtain one of them, a Black Horse, & sent his People [to search for] it since several Days— Having stated to me to-day, that it [was taken by] our Soldiers from his People who were bringing it, I have so [far gratified] his Wishes which were rather urgent, as to request Lt. Mylius [to let the Adikar] take Charge of it to Kandy, where he will present it to Your Excellency. & receive your Orders—

Mr. Mainwaring writes, that the Queens are said to be on their Way from Hanweylle, & if the King's Apparel is brought, I hope, the Royal Family may be moved as far as Dambarawa tomorrow—I enclose a Memorandum of the several Stations on the Road from Kandy to our Limits, at which it is customary to rest, & I have desired the Adikar to send Orders for preparing Buildings—

It appears to me scarcely decorous, & I believe, would be offensive to the Kandyans, that the King should use any longer in this Country the Insignia of Royalty & for this Reason his State Palanquin, which was brought to-day has at my Request been sent forward to Kandy—If a suitable Palanquin could be procured in Kandy, for the King, I beg that it may be sent here with Bearers, for his Journey to Colombo—Otherwise, I will give him up my own, in which he came yesterday, & request a Dooly in its Stead—

The Female Relatives, who are coming from Hanweylle, I understand, will bring their Palanquins with them—But the 2 Queens, who are here, have none, & I beg that 2 Doolies fitted up with White Cloth in a decent Manner may be sent with Bearers from Kandy—

I have obtained to-day from the King, & enclose the Names of Villages, in which Malabars have taken Refuge—I think, it would be advisable to send small Parties from our Divisions (where not far distant) to the Neighbourhood, & being chiefly Women & Children, they will probably come forth upon the first Invitation, or will be produced by the Singaleze Inhabitants—Madulla, I believe, is nearest to Kimbulgantota, & is said to be 1 or 1½ Miles distant by a Road leading through

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I have the honor etc.

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From Capt. Anthill	{	Madulla in Walapana—20 or 30 Women & Children—
From Major Kelly's	{	Bambaragama—Hewaheyta—8 or 10 Do.— Bogama—in Do.—1 League from Hangu-ranketa—20 or 30—
From Major Mackay's Division	{	Rambukkoluwa—in Godapala Disavany Matele—20 or 30—Guns, Paddy & Rice are deposited here— Andawala—in Do—15 or 20— Eytanwala—in Matele—4 Nayakkara etc.—

Customary Resting Houses—

From Kandy (or Dambarawa) to			
Mulmeydiyawa in	Harispattuwa	2 Leagues	
to Weywuda	... ..	2	"
Pileyssa	... ..	1½	"
Kuruneygala	... ..	1½	"
Ahugoda	... ..	1½	"
Dambadeniya	... ..	2	"
Giriulla	... ..	1½	"

Meyda Maha Nuwara Febry. 21st. 1815—4 PM.—

Dear Sir,

The King's Relations not having arrived last Night, & having no Business of greater Importance at Teldeniya, I came here this Morning in a little less than 2 Hours, the greater Part of the Road being the Ascent & Descent of a Steep Hill

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Weygala Kanda—I found here the King's Mother, his 2 last Queens, 4 or 5 other female Relations, besides other Women—his 2 Fathers-in-law Gampala Dewiyo & Degal Samy, 3 Nephews, 5 or 6 other Nayakka[ras], & 8 or 10 of inferior Rank—

2 Palanquins only were brought from Hanweylle, & several of the Females came on foot. We have just dispatched them for Teldeniya, my Palanquin conveying the 2 Queens, & [the] common Doolies being sent at my Request for the Accommodation of the rest—

There are altogether at least 9 Females of the Royal Family, who must [be co]nveyed in P[alanquins to Colombo, & 2 only having been brought, it will be incumbent] [on us to provide] the rest— We can probably contrive Conveyances for them as far as M[ulmeydiyawa with the] Assistance of my own & the Doolies of the Detachment, if 4 were sen[t from Kandy, besides] the King's—As the Royal Family & Dependents are now s[o numerous, and there] will be Difficulty in accommodating all at one Place, I propose, to move the King (tho' his Clothes are not yet arrived) & a Part of his Family to Dambarawa to-morrow—& the other Relations must follow, when he proceeds to the next Stage, which I hope will take Place the Day after, but I first write to the Adikar to know, whether the Buildings are ready at Mulmeydiyawa—Armed People belonging to the Adikar conducted all these Malabars to Meyda Maha Nuwara yesterday Afternoon, after plundering them, I am informed, of many Things. Tamby Modr. met them 5 or 6 Miles in Advance of Meyda Maha Nuwara, & took from some a Part of their most valuable Plunder. But a great Number of them, I hear, went back, probably with the View of obtaining more Booty—& I have this Day sent an Ola directing them all to return—

I have also written an Ola to 2 Kandyan inferior Chiefs, warning, that they will be held responsible for some Valuable King's Property, deposited in a House at Hanweylle—& another to a few Malabars, who have fled beyond Hanweylle, inviting them to return without Fear—

I have the honor &c.

H. E. The Govr. Kandy—

Feb. 21st 1815. PS. Teldeniya—9 PM.—I am just returned from Meyda Maha Nuwara all the Way through the Rain—& 3 Doolies with the King's female Relations who are still behind—Lt. Mylius has Provisions for no longer than to-morrow & I recommend, that more be sent. For the Royal Family will probably consume all the Rice to be procured here—Major Bailey is at Kosgama, & I hear has found some Boxes of Cloths & Rice—After securing all the King's Property in that Quarter, I know not, that he has any further Employment, than to join his Detachment—

I just hear, that 2 Washermen of a Village 2 Miles from hence, Henageyhuwala, were found murdered last Night, & their Property plundered—

Dambarawa Febry. 22d. 1815—9½ PM.—

Dear Sir,

I recd. Your Excellcy.'s Letter with the 3 Palanquins at Teldeniya about 10 AM. The King with all the Royal Family left Teldeniya this Afternoon, & reached this Place about an Hour ago—But I am much disappointed in finding not the smallest Preparation for their Reception, notwithstanding I had early warned the Adikar, & he promised to give the necessary Orders—The Rest-house is empty & not a Man is to be found in the Village—It is reported, that they have fled through Fear, having been plundered by the People, who went in the Adikar's train to Kandy—

The Royal Property concealed in different Parts of the Country, have been placed under the Charge of responsible Persons, & if we can only preserve them from the Depredations of our own Soldiers & Followers, & the plundering Inhabts. of other Kandyan Provinces, I do not think, there is Danger of losing it—

I have written Olas to the Adikar & the Disave of 3 K. informing that our People will shortly be sent peel Cinnamon & the Peelers, may, no Doubt, venture with Safety to pursue their Occupation in the Forests in the Saffragam K. and the 3 K.—

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I have sent People this Morning to bring away some Boxes & other Property at Giddawa & Henageyhuwala—which the Persons in Charge render no Difficulty in delivering, when demanded—In the same Manner, the other Chiefs in Charge will doubtless in a few Days produce the other concealed Treasures, when called upon by the Proper Authority—

The King having desired to speak to me the Night before last, took me by the Hand & requested my Assistance, and said, that he would discover to me Places, where Royal treasures are concealed, unknown to any but himself, intending, as I understand, to offer them as a *Douceur*—I told him, that any Account of concealed Property, which he gave, would be laid before Your Excellency., & that all Royal Treasures will of course belong to Govt.—He promised to give me in Writing such an Account, & seemed to hope, but I gave no Encouragement of that kind, that the Discovery might entitle him to the Favour or Indulgence of Govt.—

This Morning the King again desired to see me, & formally presented to me his Mother & his 4 Queens, & successively placing their Hands in mine, committed them to my Charge & Protection—These Female Relatives, who have no Participation in his Crimes, are certainly deserving of our Commiseration & particularly the [aged] Mother, who appears inconsolable, & I hear has been almost constantly in Tears [since the] Captivity of her Son. They had been alarmed by idle Reports amongst [other things] that violent Measures would be adopted against the King, & his Relatives [subjected to] Disgrace & Ill-treatment—& I ventured to assure them of their Personal [Protection [under] Your Excellency's Govt. & that no Outrage would be committed agst. [the Life or Person] of the King—

It. Mylius having reported to me the increasing Sickness amongst his Troops, I have left the Copper Treasure at Teldeniya under the Charge of the Chief of Dumbara—

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* Some Articles of Female Dress were brought in to-day by one of Tamby Modr.'s People, & have been given to the King's Female Relations, but the King is still destitute of suitable Apparel, & there is little Prospect of procuring any here—I have written to the Adikar, requesting him to send such immediately and a Message from Your Excellency might probably be effectual—I have not yet heard from the Adikar whether the Buildings are prepared at Mulmeydiyawa, & am uncertain whether we can move to-morrow—

I have the honor &c.

H. E. The Govr. Kandy—

Dambarawa, Febry. 23d. 1815—

Dear Sir,

I have just recd. an Ola from the Adikar informing, that there is a Rest House at Attaragama, which is, I believe, 2 or 3 Miles from Katugastota, & on this Side of Mulmeydiyawa—This would equally answer the Purpose for the next Station, but I have heard that the Buildings there are insufficient, & in consideration of their Treatment here last Night, I cannot venture to move the Royal Family, till I am sure, that every Thing is ready for their Reception at least in a decent Manner—& till we obtain suitable Apparel for the King—I have written again to the Adikar to enquire this, & do not think that we shall be able to move from hence till to-morrow—

Tho' the King in his present fallen Condition should carry with him no Insignia of Royalty, himself & the Royal Family should be treated with all the Respect due to Persons of High Rank—It is essential to our Credit, that White Cloths should be hung in the Rest Houses, & Provisions furnished without Deficiency & Apparel suitable to their Dignity—

The Adikar, I perceive, is disposed to allow as little Respect & Attention, as possible, & I think, an Intimation from Yr. Excellency. would be

* I believe, we shall require, at least, 2 more Doolies from Kandy, to convey on the King's Female Relations—& I have given up my Palanquin again to-day to convey the 2 last Queens—(Note in MS.)

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advisable to ensure proper Treatment during the Remainder of their Journey to Colombo—I was ashamed to go near them last Night—Lt. Mylius has furnished this Morning 2 Bags of Rice—But the Chief of the Village has now appeared, & I shall be able to obtain Provisions for them here to-night & to-morrow Morning—

There are altogether 17 Females, who have Pretensions to go in Palanquins, but if 5 more could be procured, & sent to meet us at Attaragam, it will, I think, be sufficient—with Bearers for 2 more, which they have with them—

I have the honor &c.

H. E. The Governor Kandy—

I write to the Adikar to furnish as many Bearers as possible—I hope the King's Apparel will not be forgotten—

Dambarawa Febry. 23d. 1815—

Sir,

Having recd. Information, that your Detachment is approaching the Neighbourhood of Giddawa, I beg leave to acquaint you, that I have already taken Account of King's Property in the Village Giddawa, under the Charge of responsible Persons, who will produce it, when called upon by Proper Authority—viz—

Kotuwegedere Aratchy—3 Boxes—Silver, Brass & Copper Ware—3 Bags of Copper Money etc.

Talawinne Duraya—2 Do.—Brass & Copper Do.—1 Gun & 2 Barrels—etc.

Matalawe Korale—2 Do.—2 large Standing Lamps—2 Guns—etc.

Mutukeliyawa Aratchy—1300 Ridi in Copper—4 Elephants Teeth etc.

As I consider all this Property already secured to Govt., I believe, it will be unnecessary for your Detachment to take Possession of them—

I have the honor &c.

To Major Bayley

or any Officer of his Detachment—

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Dambarawa Febry. 24th. 1815—8 AM.—

Dear Sir,

I have discovered & caused Account to be taken of the Property said to have been concealed at the Village Giddawa—It consists of a little Copper Money, Silver, & Brass Ware, Cloths & a few Guns, & 3 locked Boxes, of which the Contents are unknown—They are stated with the Exception of a few, to be the Property of the King's Relations, & remain under the Charge of 4 Chiefs to whom they were originally entrusted—

Tamby Modr. delivered to me at Teldeniya a Box containing a few Artic[les of which] 2 Cloths were delivered to the King's Relations, & the rest will be sent [to Kandy—]

I saw the King yesterday Evening. He expressed a Desire to see Your [Excelly. for the] purpose of communicating the Deposits of Treasures known [only to himself—&] wished to know, what Assistance he should receive—I told him, that there was no Probability of seeing Your Excelly. before he reached Colombo; that I am authorised to assure him from Your Excelly. that himself & the Royal Family will be treated in a liberal Manner, but if he meant to condition for the Discovery, we altogether reject the Overture—He replied, that he did not intend so, but seems disposed to preserve the Discovery till an Interview with Yr. Excelly.—

I have just recd. Yr. Excelly.'s Letter of yesterday Evening with 3 Doolies, & had previously made Arrangement for the Departure of the Royal Family this Day to Attaragama, which will take place, as soon as they have repasted—

I recd. late last Night from the Adikar, a Cap, Jacket & Shirt designed for the King, which are in very bad Condition & entirely without Buttons. I sent them to the King's Resthouse, & they are returned with Answer, that it is impossible for him to wear them—

I have the honor &c.

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Harris pattuwa—Attaragama Febry. 25th. 1815—
8 AM.—

Dear Sir,

Our Journey was postponed till late in consequence of the Rain, which continued almost all yesterday, but knowing Yr. Excellency's Desire that no Delay should take place, we left Dambarawa with all the Royal Family about 3 PM.—The Doolies were so badly manned, having only 6 Coolies to each, & a few of them sick, that I went forward, to procure from Major Hook a Reinforcement of Coolies—I did not reach his Camp till between 8 & 9 PM.—when 18 Coolies were sent back to meet him, but we learnt during the Night, that the Detachment missing the Path, which leads into this Road, by cutting off the small Angle, reached Katugastotta late at Night, & could proceed no further for Want of Coolies—

I find, there is very insufficient Accommodation for the Royal Family at this Place, & they will proceed straight to Dulweywa, $1\frac{1}{2}$ or 2 Miles further where I am assured, there are Buildings sufficiently spacious for all—

Of the Boxes of Cloths, which I before reported to Your Excellency, as being under Charge of the Chief of Dambarawa, I sent for one in the Hope of finding a suitable Dress for the King—All the Cloths, however, were of an inferior Kind, 51 in Number & 6 deficient of the Number stated in the Ola, but I thought it right to issue the whole to the King's Relations & Followers, many of whom had none, besides what they wore—

The 2 Bundles of Cloths sent to Major Hook, contain 2 or 3 Articles of Dress, which I believe the King might wear—but the principal Apparel, viz. the Cap, Jacket & Shirt & Slippers are wanting—As all will be useful to the Royal Family & Nayakkaras, I shall deliver the whole to them—

Instead of 4 Tuppoties, as stated in the List, I find 3 Tuppoties & 1 Palanquin Cloth—

I have the honor &c.

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The King & Royal Family have passed this Place on their Way to Dulweywa—I doubt, whether they will be enabled to proceed to Weywuda to-day—

Febry. 25th.—Slept at Dulweywa near the King's Resthouse—

„ 26th.—Called on the King in the Morning—Long Conference, in which he gives accounts of the Valuables belonging to the Maha Wasala—He sets off for Weywuda at 10 AM.—Reach Kandy through heavy & continued Rain at 5 PM.—

„ 27th.—Called on Eyheylepola Adikar. He begs to retire from Office, unless he obtains the honours of the Regal Office—Called on Molligoda Adikar—who requests the Office of Udagampahe & either the 4 K. or 7 K.—Heavy rain all the Afternoon & Evening.

„ 28th.—Pilima Talawuwe Son of the Adikar lately executed, & Kapuwatte Disave visit me—Eyheylepola Adikar visits the Govr. at the Palace, & declines the Acceptance of any Office—Major Kelly arrives from Hanguranketa—The first fine Day—Sent 1000 Star Pags. to Eyheylepola Adikar as a present Acknowledgment of his Services—he declines it.

March 1st.—Millawa Disave of Godapala, Matale, & his younger Brother, Lekam of Harispattuwa visit me—Also Molligoda Adikar—Called on Eyheylepola Adikar, who requests an Act in token of his Services—Proclamation framed—Preparations for an Audience of the Kandyan Chiefs to-morrow in the Magul Maduwa—Fine Day—Slight Shower at Noon—

„ 2d.—Bambaradeniya Liyanarale & Udunuwara attend—& request the Preservation of their Religion—& Mampitiye for their Rate Mahatmaya—Kiribatkumbure Liyanarale &

Undiyerale attend & request for their Chief Pilima Talawuwe, or a white Gentleman—

At 4 PM. the Govr. gives Audience to the Adikars, Disaves, & other Kandyan Chiefs—The Proclamation or Act of Settlement of the Govt. of the Kandyan Provinces is read in the Magul Maduwa—

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afterwards read to the Mohottales & other inferior Chiefs without—& the Royal Standard hoisted—& a Royal Salute fired.—Fine hot Day—Clear Sky.

3d.—All the Kandyan Chiefs assemble at the Palace this Forenoon. The Govr. first gives Audience to 5 Chiefs of highest Rank—Eyheylepola, Molligoda, Kapuwatte, Pilima Talawuwe & Keyppitipola—All the rest being admitted, the Appointments are conferred—Molligoda & Kapuwatte are appointed respectively 1st. & 2d. Adikar—Pilima Talawuwe Disave of 4 K.—Molligoda Adikar, Disave of 7 K.—Keyppitipola, of Uwa—Ratwatte of Matale—Kapuwatte 2d. Adikar, of Saffragam—Mampitiye Kuda Bandara, Rate Mahatmaya of Udunuwere—Pilima Talawuwe, of Yatinuwere—The People & inferior Chiefs of the Disavaries & Countries (Rata) being formally introduced, kneel on the Ground by Order of Eyheylepola—They raise a violent Complaint, that their Superior Chiefs do not kneel also—according to former Custom in the King's Presence—They all take leave about 4½ PM.—Walandure Mohottale attends in the Evening, & informs, that the Minds of the People are violently agitated—They say they will have no Singaleze Chiefs & request even a white Soldier to govern them—Fine hot clear Day—

4th.—The Mohottales & other Chiefs of the Rata & Disavaries attend at 8 AM.—& complain of the Indignity imposed on them yesterday—They will come to the Magul Maduwa, & request that the Chiefs may be called & questioned regarding the former Custom—None of them will go near their Chiefs—

Called on Eyheylepola Adikar. He says the Chiefs acted correctly yesterday in kneeling, & the superior Chiefs ought to do the same to-morrow. Himself will set the Example—Kapuwatte alone seems rather adverse to it—Molligoda 1st. & Kapuwatte 2d. Adikar visit me at 2 & continue in Conversation till 6 PM.—They consent to satisfy the People by kneeling themselves to-morrow—The inferior Chiefs, being the aggrieved Party, next attend—I inform them, that the Occurrence of yesterday took Place by an

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Error, as Eyheylepola himself confesses—the Superior Chiefs consent to kneel alike with them to-morrow, & I trust they will be satisfied—They still repeat their Grievance, but are willing to consent as I think proper. It is thus arranged accordingly. Fine hot clear Day.

5th.—The 2 Adikars & other Chiefs assemble this Forenoon in Dalada Maligawa—Ekneyligoda, Mahawalateynne, Eyheyligagoda Mohottales, Bambaradeniya Liyanerale & other Chiefs attend & state, That Molligoda & Kapuwatte Adikars have just approached & addressed them near the Maligawa, saying, that the Occurrence of the Day before yesterday took place by Mistake, that it would not recur & desiring, that they would not be offended—In consequence of this, they replied, that having made their Appeal to me, they could say nothing without Authority—but they are inclined to abandon their Complaint altogether, submitting however to any Order which we may give—They have not the smallest Reluctance to throw themselves on the Ground before us—I enquire, whether notwithstanding, it would not be advisable that their Chiefs should kneel, as settled last Night—They reply, that if it be intended to discontinue the Practice of kneeling in future, they think it preferable, that it should pass without further Notice, but will do as we think proper—I informed them, that I will give an Answer after speaking with Eyheylepola Adikar—Eyheylepola is sent for, but replies, that he is disabled by Sickness from coming—The Modr. next is sent to request his Attendance even for a short time—He accordingly comes to the Magul Maduwa at 2½ PM.—The complaining Chiefs come near the Magul Maduwa, & again state their Readiness to abandon their Complaint altogether—The 2 Adikars are sent for into the Magul Maduwa, & some time is spent in enquiring from the People of the Rata pahe, & settling the superior Appointments—Eyheylepola being indisposed takes his Leave—The Chiefs are all called into the Magul Maduwa—The following Offices are severally announced through my Interpretation by the 1st. Adikar—Each comes forward, & bows & expresses his Satisfaction & retires:—

March 3 K.—Younger Molligoda
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Walapana—*Kobbeykaduwa
late Disave of a Part of
the 7 K.—

Wellasee and Binteyno—
Elder Millawa late Dis-
ave of Godapala Matele—

Maliga Diyawadana Nilame
—Kapuwatte 2d. Adi-
kar—

Gajanayaka Nilame—Elder
Madugalle—

Maha Gabada Nilame—
Kadigomuwe late Le-
kam—

Uda Gabada Nilame—Madu-
galle Son-in-law of the
above—

Maha Lekam—Mampitiye
Son of younger Brother
of Yakada Doli of Kirt-
tisri—

Wedikkara Lekam—Dor-
aneyyama—

Nanakkara Lekam—Young-
er Mattamagoda—

Wadanatuwakkukara Lekam
—†Ridigama late Dis-
ave

Kodituwakku Lekam—Ha-
langoda—

Tumpanahe Rata—Weyli-
wita—

Harispattuwe Do —Young-
er Millawa—

Dumbara Do—Amunu-
gama—

Hewaheyta Do —Elder
Moledande—

Kottalbadde Nilame—Nar-
anwala—

After all these Appointments are conferred, I retire with all the Chiefs to the Dakina Mandape—where the people of each Disavany & Rata etc. are severally called (not omitting first those appointed on the 3d.) & the Appointments announced to them—We all return to the Govr.'s Presence in the Hall of Audience. My Commission, by the Govr., appointing me Accredited Agent or Resident, on the part of Govt. in the Kandyan Provinces, is read first in English by Mr. Sutherland, & afterwards the Substance explained in †English by A. de Saram Modr.—They express their Satisfaction, & take leave about 5 PM.—

Fine hot clear Day—

The following appointments were also determined this Day, but not conferred on Account of the Absence of the Parties:

British Head Quarters

Kandy 2d. March.....

Sir,

The Convention held this Day having plac[ed] the Kandyan Provinces under His Majesty's Dom[inion] it remains to select a proper person to

* Ceylon Almanac, 1816: Dulwewe.

† Ceylon Almanac, 1816: Walala.

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be t[he] Representative of the British Government
in [the] newly acquired Territory.

In this choice however important I [can] have
no difficulty. Your general attain[ments] and
those in particular of which you have possessed
yourself in the Cingalese Language your extensive
Knowledge thro' that medium of the Kandyan
people & their customs and ma[n]ners and the
whole economy of their Civil Ins[titutions]
eminently qualify you for the exercise of p[ublic]
Functions amongst them—while the zeal [and]
judgment with which you have for some [time]
back applied your Talents in the furtherance [of]
those measures which have so happily term[inated]
in the extension and consolidation of H[is]
Majesty's Ceylonese possessions by the acces[sion]
of the Interior Country give me the most [perfect]
confidence in committing this great cha[rge] into
your Hands.

I further think it due to you not o[nly] with a
view to the support of your conseque[nce] and
authority with the Chiefs and peopl[e] of these
Provinces, but as a mark of appr[obation] for the
merit and importance of your Ser[vices] to nominate
you until the pleasure of [His] Royal Highness the
Prince Regent is decl[ared] a Member of His
Majesty's Council in the Island.

Herewith you will receive a Warra[n]t or Com-
mission of appointment constituting you [Acc]re-
dited Agent of the British Government in the
[Kan]dyan Provinces under the Proclamation of
[thi]s date and with the more summary and [con]-
venient appellation of Resident. Instructions for
your guidance will be immediately [prep]ared;
and I shall on my return to Colombo [issue] in
Council an authority for your being [swor]n a
Member of that Board. In the mean[ti]me you
will consider yourself as fully [no]minated to
the situation.

[The H]onble.

[.....] D'Oyly Esq.

etc. etc. etc.

I have etc.

Robt. Brownrigg.

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Sir,

I had the honor to receive Yr. Excellency's Letter bearing Date March 2d. informing, that Yr. Excy. has been pleased to appoint me a Member of H. My's Council, & enclosing a Commission, by which I am nominated the Accredited Agent of the British Govt. in the Kandyan Provinces—

I beg leave to offer my warmest Acknowledgements for these distinguished Marks of Yr. Excy.'s Approbation, & especially for the kind & handsome Terms in which they have been communicated to me—

If my Endeavours have in any Degree contributed to the brilliant Success which has attended Yr. Excy.'s Measures, this alone is a Subject of heartfelt Satisfaction: but to have earned so honourable & public a Notice of them from the Govt. of this Island, is the highest Praise to which I could aspire—

The new & important Charge now delegated to my Hands I accept with Pride, as a further Testimony of Yr. Excellency's good Opinion & Confidence, but with far opposite Feelings, when I reflect on the arduous Office about to be undertaken, & my own Inability to perform its weighty Duties in a satisfactory Manner—

In Return for this flattering Distinction, I can at present only tender my Assurances, that if my Health will permit, my best Exertions shall never be wanting, in the Attempt to realize the Benefits expected to flow from the Acquisition of the Interior Provinces, & to establish His Majesty's Govt. upon its surest Basis, in the Affections of the Kandyan Nation—

I have the honor &c.

H. E. Lt. Genl. Brownrigg
Govr. &c.—

March 6th.—Rode early to Kundasale Nuwara with H. E. the Govr., Major Hardy, Major Willerman & Mr. Sutherland—Distance from the Palace of Kandy 4 Miles—

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Occupied all Day by the Complaints, Applications & Appearances of many Kandyans.—Fine hot clear Day—Seized with Ague at Night which continues all Night with violent discharge of Urine—

7th.—Sick all Day with Fever & Dysentery—Molligoda 1st. Adikar visits me this Afternoon & gives some Account of the Royal Revenues—Took Tincture of Rhubarb & Salts this Afternoon & Bark at Night—Fine hot Day—

8th.—Sick all Day with Dysentery—Took Castor Oil—This Day appointed by the Govr. for giving Audience again to the Adikars & other Chiefs—Postponed on acct. of Sickness—Fine hot Day—

9th.—Still indisposed—unable to go abroad or see Visitors—Took Draught of Laudanum soon after Noon, which stops the Disease, I think, too suddenly, & brings on Head Ache.—Fine hot Day—Sent a Request to Eyheylepola Adikar, that he would write to me the names of the Persons, whom he believes most worthy to fill the other Offices now vacant—that he will attend to-morrow at the Magul Maduwa—He returns Answer, that he is unable to attend to-morrow, as his Suit of Clothes are sent to be washed—

10th.—Somewhat recovered, but still indisposed—Eyheylepola Adikar sends to me an Ola with the names of Persons, whom he recommends to fill the several Offices—

Sent this Ola for Perusal & Remarks to Molligoda Adikar—All the Chiefs assemble this Afternoon in the Court of Dalada Maligawa—The 2 Adikars at my Request, visit me at about 3 PM.—Settled with them the List of Appointments—Messengers are sent to the 2 Temples of Malwatte Wihara & Asgiri Wihara to bring the Body of Priests;—About 5 PM.—the 2 Adikars are first called to the Magul Maduwa, & shortly after, the rest of the Chiefs—The Govr. confers the following Offices:

Nat'ha Dewale	Basnayaka Nilame	*Ranawana—
Maha Dewale	Do	†Lewuke—

* Ceylon Almanac, 1816: Halangoda.

† Ceylon Almanac, 1816: Edanduwawe.

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The Priests of the 2 Temples arrive at the Dalada Maligawa about 6 PM.—

are sent & conduct them to the Magul Maduwa, where White Cloths are spread on the Ground. Myself & the 2 Adikars advance to the Door of the Hall—where I enquire after their Health. They advance into the Magul Maduwa in 2 Lines—1st. the Priests of Malwatte Wihara, headed by Kobbey-kaduwe Nayaka Unnanse (an aged infirm Man, supported by another Priest—) on the Govr.'s Right—next the Priests of Asgiri Wihara, headed by Yatawatte Nayaka Unnanse, on the Govr.'s left—The Govr. began by enquiring after the Health of the Priests of Malwatte Wihara?—

Pts.—We have no Indisposition at this time, worth mentioning, but are in good Health—

H. E.—I am much gratified to hear it—

P.—We are much pleased that H. E. has been kind enough to make this Enquiry—

H. E.—I beg the Priests will rest assured, that they will receive under the British Govt. full Protection & Security—Their Temples will be held sacred, & their Religion respected—(This Sentence in Explanation to the Priests is much amplified by the Adikar)

P.—Since the time of Wijaya the Religion of Buddha has been aided & supported in this Island by the Sovereigns who have successively reigned. By means of this Religion the Sovereigns & the People of Ceylon have flourished, & the World maintained in Security & Welfare. It is by the Increase & Prosperity of Religion, that Disease & other Calamities are averted from the Land & Good attends the World—Therefore we are highly gratified to hear that it is H. E.'s Intention to protect & promote the Interests of Religion—

H. E.—repeats his Assurances, that their Religion shall receive his fullest Protection. H. E. then enquires the Health of the Priests of Asgiri Wihara, who return similar Answers of Satisfaction. The Priests retire—I follow with the Adikar & other Chiefs to Dalada Maligawa, where a long Conference takes Place with the Priests—on the Subject of bringing back their Dalada

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Wahanse, the Protection of the Church Property, the Offices of Nayaka & Anu Nayaka—After which we return to the Magul Maduwa, & report to H. E. what passed—The Adikars & Disaves subscribe their Signatures to the Procln., the Govr. having just signed—

The Govr. confers the following Appointments of Chief Priests—

Malwatte Wihara	Asgiri Wihara
Kobbeykaduwe—Nayaka	Mawatagama—
Unnanse	Nayaka Unnanse
Weyliwita—Anu Nayaka—	Tumbagoda—Anu Nayaka—

& signifies his Desire, that the Wihara & the Dewale Villages, which, in the late times of Disturbance, have been placed by the late King under Orders of the Disaves &c. be fully restored to the Temples.

I accompany the Adikar & Chiefs again to Dalada Maligawa, where the above Pleasure of H. E. is communicated to the Priests—& I retire—The Adikars, Chiefs & People remain—& accompany the Priests to their respective Temples, with an English Band of Music—& a Salute of 7 Cannon from the Maha Maluwa—

March 11th.—Madugalle Uda Gabada Nilame—Amunugama late Atapattu Lekam, of Dumbara—& Kadigomuwe Maha Gabada Nilame visit me—Eyheylepola Adikar comes at 6 PM. to visit the Govr. It being late, & the Govr. indisposed, I meet him in the Maha Maluwa, & postponed his Visit till to-morrow Morning—Anniversary of the King's Arrival in Ceylon—Fine hot Day—

12th.—Kadigomuwe Maha Gabada Nilame visits me—Eyheylepola Adikar visits the Govr. at 2½ PM. & remains till 5—He mentions that he has lost 10 Relations & all his Property by his Fidelity to the English Govt.—& weeps—He has sent People to his own Villages, but finds that the Fields are unsown, the Trees fruitless, & not 5 Days Provisions to be obtained from them. The Govr. promises to him a sufficient Allowance & Supply

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of all his Wants, & invites him to come & reside at Colombo. He expresses his Satisfaction—states, that he has many Enemies, who say contemptuously: “He aspired to the Sovereignty, but has not now got a single Village—” In speaking of the Property of the Dalada Maligawa, he says, All that belongs to it, should be restored, & even Govt. should bestow on it more—After speaking of the Remuneration due to the Mohottales of Saffragam K., he says: I also must receive some Respect from Govt. for my Fidelity superior to all the Singaleze—At the Close of the Conversation he says: I have really no Means of Subsistence. It will be sufficient, if I obtain 8 Neyli of Rice pr. Day, & the suitable Curry Stuff—Galagoda

& Maduwe Mohm. (call) in the Evening—The latter states, that he went to Saffragam in Command of Maduwe Eytto, who plundered the Country, but less than the King's Order required—The People of Saffragam now demand from him their Goods—He will restore all he took, but he cannot answer for what others took. Fine hot Day—Cloudy & threatening Rain in the Evening—Lightning in E.—

13th.—Committee, Major Mackay Prest., on Property brought in, as Prize, claimed as belonging to Dalada Maligawa—Kapuwatte 2d. Adikar sits there as Maligawe Diyawadana Nilame—Eyheylepola Adikar attends the Govr. in the Afternoon at 5—He brings & delivers to the Govr. the King's Jewels, consisting of Gold Toppiya, Do. Ruff, Jacket, Greaves—Variety of Massy Gold Ornaments set with Valuable precious Stones—Particularly Padikkan & Breast Ornaments—2 with large Center Emeralds—1 with large Center Ruby 1 1/10 Inch long—set round with 10 large Diamonds etc—1 large Weirodu, nearly round—1 1/2 In. long Diamr.—1 3/10 short Diamr.—A small Dakshina Sank'ha, set in Gold—& in a Gold Case, an Ear of Paddy (sprung from Handaganawa—in Walapana) producing a Pearl—All these 3 Curiosities said to have been produced in the Reign of Rajasinha—The Govr. offers to the Adikar the 3d. Curiosity—but he declines accepting it.

Showers occasionally during the Day—Heavy Thunderstorm in Evening—

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14th.—On Committee all the Day, investigating the Claims of Dalada Maligawa—Kapuwatte 2d. Adikar, now Diyawadana Nilame—& Ratwatte Disave of Matale, late Diyawadana Nilame—present—Talagunne Wannaku Nilame visits me—Fine hot Day—Complaints of private Property seized at Rambukweylle, & brought to Kandy as Prize—The Govr. publishes a General Order, requiring my Certificate, as Authority for the Prize Agents, to receive Property—From this Day, send daily to Eyheylepola Adikar 7 Neyli of Rice—& Curry Stuff—Recd. a querulous Ola from him—

15th.—Molligoda 1st. Adikar visits me this Afternoon—Also Eyllepola late *2d. Adikar, who also visits the Govr.—Dehigama Nilame, late Disave of Part of Saffragam visits me—Rode out early this Morning towards the Asgiri Wihara—Fine hot Day—

March 16th.—Called on Eyheylepola Adikar—He requests to obtain the Villages called Palle Wahala Gabada Gan. He means, that they should be placed under his Orders—The Produce of them as heretofore to be delivered to the Gabadawa, & the People to perform their fixed duties to Govt.—Himself will have the Benefit of Bulat Surul upon giving the Appointments of Vidans, the occasional Labour of the People in his Walawuwa, & the Produce of Malapele Fields—Called on Molligoda Adikar, who says there is no Objection to conferring on Eyheylepola the Palle Wahala Gabada Gan in the manner requested—They have been before so granted.

Kawudumunne Mohottale, Torawatura Mohottale, & several other Mohottales of 7 K. attend & request to be governed by white Men, as in the Low Country, not to be placed under the authority of Singhaleze Chiefs—They have come to Kandy in consequence of an Order from Molligoda their Disawe. It was he, who suffered their Chiefs to be sacrificed by the King—& the King whom they accompanied to Giriulla, said, that he was induced to sacrifice them, partly by Molligoda, & partly by

* In error for '3rd.'

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Millawa—Informed them, that Molligoda Adikar has been appointed by the Govr. Disawe of the 7 K.—that I am convinced, their Chiefs suffered, not by the Instigation of Molligoda, but solely by the King's Depravity. That they are now under the British Govt., & need not be fearful of any Injury or Wrongs—

Fine Day, with slight Shower at Noon—Wind SE.—Very cold in Evening—

„ 17th.—Complaint of Caffres attempting to plunder the Gabadawa—Visits & Complaints of sundry persons during the Day—Recd. in the Afternoon at the Magul Maduwa, the Disawe of Matale & the Disawe of Walapana—Rate Mahatmaya of Dumbara & Hewaheyta—Also the 2 Adikars with whom I held a long Conference on the several Offices still undisposed of, till 7½ PM. Called also the other Principal Chiefs from Dalada Maligawa, who state that the Offices of Heytapena Ge Mohm.—& Atapattu Murapole Lekam, according to Custom should be conferred on the Adikars—Fine Day—temperate—

„ 18th.—Numerous Visits, Applications & Complaints of Kandyans—At 11 AM. Pilima Talawuwa Dis. of 4 K. & Molligoda Dis. of 3 K. attend at the Magul Maduwa, & take Leave to proceed into their Disawanies, & prepare for the Govr.'s Reception—in presence of Molligoda 1st. Adikar—Eyheylepola Adikar arrives at 3, & has private Conference with H.E.—He states that it is his Intention to marry the elder Sister of Pilima Talawuwe, the Widow of the late Migasteynne—if he receives Assistance from Govt. for he has lost everything & has no other—It cannot be accomplished, with less than 2000 or 3000 Pagodas in a pompous Manner—The Govr. replies, That in consideration of his Services he shall have great Pleasure in presenting him with 5000 Pags., which are at his Service, whenever he asks for it—He expresses his Gratitude, & desire to serve Govt. to the End of his Life & that it is his Intention after his Marriage to visit the Govr. at Colombo—

He states further, that some People are dissatisfied with him, & speak contemptuously of him & requests some Mark of Distinction &

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Respect, which no other Singaleze can use, & which will render him Superior to all other Kandyans—He requests an Act, conferring on him that Distinction, & any Title which we think proper, constituting him 2d. to the Representative of Govt., & Superior to all others—The Govr. replies, that he will procure for him a Picture of the Prince Regent set in Jewels—& shall be happy to grant him an Act, with a suitable Title & Mark of Respect & Distinction—& Eyheylepola will state in [writing] his Wishes—The 2 Adikars are called in, & a long private Conference takes place on the Subject of the Offices which remain to be conferred—The Chiefs are called in, & the following Offices are conferred:

Maduwe Gankara Lekam—

Palle Wahala Gabada Gan—

Nuwara Kalawiya Disawe—

Diyawadana Nilame—

Batwadana Nilame—

2d. Do.

Kunam Maduwe Lekam—

2d. Do.

Natha Dewale Basnayaka
Nilame—

Kuruwe Lekam—

Mahabadde (Berawayo)—

Badaheylabadde—

Aramudala Wannaku
Nilame—

2d. Do.—

on Eyheylepola—

Galagoda—

Unambuwe—
Disawe of Uda-
palata—

Madawala Mad-
appurale with
Village Urawala

Ganegoda Mad-
appurale. .
.... Village

Teynnewatte—

Amunugama—

Halangoda

Mirahawatte—

Ihagama

Hindeniyē

Mudeynnepola
with 2 Ninda
Vills.—

Halangoda
Junior—with
Village Hallol-
uwa—

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Uwa Gonbadde

Mahawalateynne
Mohottale with
Gabada Village
Moraheyla—

4 K. Madige

Ekneyligoda
Mohottale with
Gabada Vills.
Meydawela,
Meyddegama

Pata Bulatgama

Eyheyliyagoda
Mohottale with
Gabada Vill.
Hiramadagama

Abbowa Ninda Village. 7 K.

Kawudummunne
Mohottale

Hadirawalana Do.—

Torawatura Do—

Palle Hewapola

Neylawa Korale

The Governor addressing the Chiefs informs them, That he is about to depart to Colombo the day after to-morrow. He has much Satisfaction in seeing so respectable & numerous an assembly of Chiefs on the Eve of his Departure & trusts, that during his Absence, they will in their several Offices perform faithful & zealous Service to Govt. It is in H. E.'s Contemplation to revisit the..... soon, & in future as frequently as his Business will permit. He shall..... to meet them all again, & in the Interim wishes them Health & Prosperity—..... that they will in their respective Offices, perform all Govt. Services with Zeal & are grateful for H. E's Kindness—

.....ls of the Rata pahe represent to H. E. through the Adikars, that Complaints are disorders & Robberies committed by the Troops & Followers—to which the Govr. promises Redress. also represent, that formerly a fixed Allowance or Danaya was daily allowed by from the Gabadawa, to the Priests of the Temples—The Govr. promises, that it shall be They also state, that when Adikars pass the Streets of Kandy, the People are all Custom to shut themselves within their Houses, & all Passengers stand aside till they make Obeisance. But our Soldiers & Followers instead of

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the Street, & interrupt their Kasakarayo—The paying such Respect, approach & them in Govr. promises, that an Order published to the Troops, directing due Respect to be paid—

[Eyheylep]ola Adikar & Galagoda Disawe of Nuwara Kalawiya subscribe their Signatures to the [Proclama]tion—& the Chiefs take leave at 9 PM.—N.B. Pilima Talawuwe Disawe of the 4 K. subscribed the Procln. this Morning—
.....hot Day—Wind SW. & W.—

March 19th.—Dined with the Govr. at 3 PM.—Sundry Complaints, Applications & Visits of Kandyan Chiefs in the Morning—At 5 PM. Eyheylepola, & the 2 Adikars attend—at the Magul Maduwa—Long Conference with them to arrange the remaining Offices—

At 7 PM. the other Chiefs attend & the following Offices are conferred :

Heytapena Ge Mohm.—	Eyllepola late
Atapattu Murapole Lekam	2d. Adikar—
Ran Awuda Mandappe	with
Lekam	3 Villages
Maruwaliye Mohm.—	Molligoda 1st.
	Adikar
Sudaliye Mohm.—	Palipana
Uda Bulatgama—	
Kotmale	Ranawana
Batwadana Nilame—	Ganegoda
Kengalle Kuruwe—	*Madugalle
Anilabadde (Berawayo)—	Talagunne Wan-
	naku
Pattepola in Wellasse—	Meytibimbiye or
Welanwita. Galbokke, in	Dambawinne
Uwa	late Disawe
Lankatilaka—Gadaladeniya	Dewale Gan to
Eymbeykke—Weygiriya	Kobbey kaduwe
Ganegoda—Walagoda	Brother's G. Son
Dodanwala—Alawatugoda	of Nayaka
Patti Vidan—	Unnanse—
	Meyda Maha
	Nuwara—

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— 4 absent

Also 15 Mohandiram Wasam

19

And 20 Villages—

4 Lekams—4 Kankans—4 Geybaralla of the Maha Gabadawa—

3 Lekams—3 Kankans—3 Geybaralla, of the Uda Gabadawa—

Lekams—Kankans—of the Aramudale.

The Chiefs & People of the Rata Pahe are next called in—They are addressed by H.E. through myself & the 1st. Adikar—and informed, That the English Troops have invaded and taken Possession of the Country, in order to deliver the People of the Rata Pahe in particular, & all the Kandyan People from their Grievances & the Injuries done by the late King to the World & to Religion—That H.E. will afford every Protection to their Religion, & to their antient Customs & Privileges—will give every Facility & Relief—redress their Wrongs as soon as made known—and he trusts, that they will live in Peace & S.....perform the established Rajakariya with Zeal & Fidelity—

They re.....have much satisfaction at their Deliverance from the Injustices &.....World & religion by the late King—are much gratified to h.....tion to protect both—and they are ready to perform all R.....

The Priests of Malwatte & Asgiri Wihara attend about 9.....the former Day—H.E. enquires separately after the Health.....

H.E.—As I am about to depart to Colombo to-morrow M.....seeing the Priests of the 2 Temples—I shall probably.....the Pleasure of seeing you all again—In the I.....pective Situations, you preach Bana, give Re.....& Learning—for which End you will receive.....

Priests—It was formerly Customary on these Occasions for the G. Gate to give Exhortations for promoting Religion & Learning—We are much gratified to receive this Order (Paniwida) from H.E.—& to the best of our Ability will endeavour to comply with it—

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H.E.—You must not entertain the least Anxiety but rest with perfect Assurance, that the Priests & Religion shall receive the fullest Protection—& the daily Provisions, which according to immemorial Custom, were furnished to the Priests from the Gabadawa shall be continued—

Priests—We are exceedingly gratified at these Assurances of H.E's Support—

The Adikars represent, that there is a Field called Meynik Kumbura at* which in the time of Kirttisri was offered to the Temple, was possessed by the late Moratota Nayaka Unnanse, next by Paranatela, & after his Death, taken to the Gabadawa, & granted to a Malabar, who is now sent Prisoner to Colombo—

H. E. signifies his Pleasure, that this Field be immediately restored—

H.E.—I have still another Matter to state—A new Pavilion (Pattrippuwa) has lately been erected by the King near Dalada Maligawa—Having no particular Occasion for this Pavilion, I present it to the Temple for the use of the Priests.

The Priests present express unanimously a lively Satisfaction—

The High Priest states—We receive with the greatest Joy this Proof of H.E's Intention to promote & increase the Prosperity of Religion—& we consider, that from this Day Religion is beginning to flourish—

The Priests—We have one Circumstance to state. We have recd. Accounts, that the Soldiers are committing Disorders & Depredations in the Countries, & we are in Fear, that after H.E's Departure they will not be controlled—We have great Apprehension on this Account, & it is our Duty to state, what has come to our Knowledge—

H.E.—I can assure you all, that no Apprehensions of this Kind need be entertained. The strictest Orders have anew been issued for preventing all such Disorders & †fullest Confidence, that they will not be continued.

The Priests express their Satisfaction & take their Leave—

The High Priest saying—Religion is under the Protection of the Gods—& those who support

* Yajñawāla in Hārīspattwa (Laurie's Gazetteer II p. 973).

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Religion will receive their Favour—as H.E. the Govr. in this manner protects & promotes the Prosperity of Religion, so will the Gods for ever afford him Protection—

The Mohottales of the Disavanies, the 7 K., Uwa, Saffragam K., 3 K. represent through the 2 Adikars, That they hear, the Low Country Modrs. of Karawe, Durawe, Halagama & other Low Casts have been created, & are accustomed there to travel in Palanquins—In the Kandyan Country, such Things are never permitted, & they request, that no Persons of these low Casts may be allowed to assume such Honours within the Kandyan Territory, but only the niyama Mudiyansele of the Goyigama—It appears also in the Proclamation, that their antient Usages shall be observed—

H.E.—Your antient Customs shall undoubtedly be observed, & the Persons of inferior Cast shall be forbidden to use such Honours & Distinctions within the Kandyan Provinces—

(NB. Eyheylepola, representing his Indisposition, had taken leave previous to the Admission of the People of the Rata pahe—Upon the Govr.'s Invitation he promises to visit him at Colombo at the King's birthday, after his Marriage, which is fixed for Wesak—).

The other Chiefs now take leave of H.E. at 10½ PM.—Molligoda Adikar & Millawa Disave of Wellasse, on Invitation, promise to visit Colombo on the King's Birthday—& H.E.—invites any other Chiefs, who are willing to come—

The Mohottales of Saffragam, & Eyheyliya-goda take their leave—express their Intention of returning to their Villages, of visiting Colombo after the Sangrantiya—with many Assurances of eternal Fidelity to the British Govt.—

Fine hot Day—

NB. Every Day since my Return from Attendance on the King, to Kandy, lived at the Govr.'s Table—

Recd. from J. Sutherland Esqre. Depty. Secrety. to Govt. a half Box of Stationery for the Use of this Department—

(Signed) J. D'Oyly

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Dear Sir,

I return the 2 Certificates in the Case of the Property brought in with my Indorsements—You will perceive, that the Property described in one of them appears to me to have come under such Circumstances, that according to the Orders of March 14th. it should be kept under our joint Custody for Reference to Govt., in the same manner as that brought in by the same Malay Mohm., which was sealed with my Seal on the 17th.—

In this & similar Cases of Property not certified by me, I believe, the Regular Course will be for the Prize Agents to report the Circumstances to Govt.—

Yrs. truly
J. D.

To S.D. Wilson Esqre. &c.

Kandy March 20th. 1815—

My dear Sir,

I send the 2 Copies of the Procln. with the Signatures converted into English Letters—You will notice that some of them differ from the Names, which these Chiefs usually bear, & will explain to those who enquire, or doubt, that they are not different Persons—In one of the Copies, our Attestation must be connected with the Signatures by a Circumflex—

I have left it to your Judgement to subscribe to my Signature either Rest. or Chief Translr. as may be most proper—

In my List of Appointments of the 18th. opposite to Kunam Maduwe Lekam, the name Arawuwala must be substituted for Teynnewatte—

Be kind enough to send me the Licence for bartering Salt & Cloths—

Yours very truly,
J.

To J. Sutherland Esqr.

March 20th.—H.E. the Govr. sets off from the Palace for Colombo at 5½ AM. under a Salute—Eyheylepola sends Word, that he is sick, but will wait upon me to-morrow—Eyheyliyagoda & Mahawalateynne Mohottalla attend to pay their Respects—express

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their Gratitude for their Appointments & Eternal Fidelity, on the part of themselves & their Posterity, to the British Govt.—Receive Molligoda Ist. Adikar, Millawa Disave & a few other Chiefs at the Magul Maduwa at 5 PM.—Make Arrangements for supplying daily Allowances, as usual, to the Priests—

Recd. Letter from the Govr.—dated Amunupura—Wrote to him & to Mr. Sutherland—Fine hot Day—

The following Kandyan Chiefs accompany H.E. the Governor to Colombo—

Unambuwe Disave of Udapalata & Diyawadana Nilame—

Madawala Batwadana Nilame—

Arawuwala Kunam Maduwe Lekam—with 12 Palanquin Bearers—

Dodanwala Atapattu Lekam—

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My dear Sir,

After taking leave of Yr. Excellcy. this Morning, I learnt from Capt. De Bussche Yr. Excellcy.'s kind Intention of leaving the 7 Dozen of Wine for my Use here—I return many Thanks for this Attention & Kindness, but I recd. a Supply of Wine from Colombo yesterday, & cannot lose Sight of Yr. Excellcy.'s Return to this Place, at which it may be acceptable—

I have just recd. Yr. Excellcy.'s Note from Amunupura—The abundant Supply of dressed Provisions, I think, has been most properly attended to on the Govr.'s first Journey. The Quantity may be so diminished in future as not to press hard upon the People, but it will perhaps be advisable not altogether to abolish the Custom or rather the bounden Duty—

I will make particular Enquiry regarding the King's Property, said to have been deposited at Alagama—

Nothing important has occurred to-day in Kandy—Eyheylepola has sent Word, that he is sick to-day, but will visit me to-morrow—I have seen Molligoda Adikar & 3 or 4 other Chiefs to-day

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at the Hall of Audience, & have made Arrangement for supplying the Priests with their usual daily Allowances of Provisions—

I am &c

H.E. The Govr. Road to Colombo—

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My dear Sir,

I have just recd. your Note, dated Ganeteynne Sunday Night—

I will repeat the Orders to furnish Olas, Straw & Sticks at the Places you mention. The Disaves of the 4 K. & 3 K. being now in their Districts, I hope they will take care that they are enforced.

Yours very truly

J. D'Oyly

Major Hardy &c. on Road to Ruwanweylle—

I return Lt. Lyttleton's Letter.

March 21st.—Sundry Applications & Visits of Kandyans in the Morning—At 2 P.M. attended Committee, of which Major Mackay is President, for investigating the Claims of the Dalada Maligawa to Property seized as Prize—The 2 Adikars present—closed at 5 P.M.

Lekam's Lascorins placed for the 1st. time on Guard at Dakina Mandape—Mahawalateynne Nilame, Ekneyligoda Nilame & Eyheyliyagoda Mohottale attend previous to their Departure to their Villages—I present to each—1 Pesa Toppiya—1 Kuttisoru & 1 Kasawu Kavani—called Samakkattu—Gave also to Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale 1 Kuttisoru & 1

Fine hot Day.

Kandy March 22d. 1815—

Dear Sir,

There is a Village named Kitulpe in Hewaheyta, which was offered many Years ago to the great Temple in Kandy—It is now, I believe, near 2 Years since the King, who distrusted the People of the Disawanes, & received into Confidence those of Hewaheyta, took Kitulpe for the Use of his Kitchen, & delivered to the Temple in its stead the

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Village Rahala Waragoda in the 4 K.—This at the time, was a Cause of considerable Offence to the People, & I believe, was mentioned by me to Your Excellency at Colombo—

I lately desired the 2d. Adikar to enquire the Wishes of the Priests & am now informed by him, that they are desirous to receive again the Village Kitulpe. I trust, therefore, Your Excellency. will authorise me immediately to restore it to the Temple, resuming in its Place the Village above mentioned in the 4 K.—

The Committee has been occupied yesterday & to-day in the Enquiry regarding the Property claimed on the part of the Temple—A Servant of the Temple, who, it appears, was the most forward in pointing it to our Troops, & in asserting it at that time to be the Property of the King now declares, that it was formerly the Property of the Kings, but had been dedicated to the Temple—& 2 inferior Head Men of Pitigoda, examined to-day, testify that all the Property at that Village belongs to the Temple—but there are still more Witnesses to be examined—

There are several Complaints arising with respect to Villages, on the Question, to what Department, or to what Chief they belong—which I must settle as well as I am able, with the Assistance of the Adikars—Both of them were present at the Committee yesterday & to-day—Eyheylepola on acct. of Sickness has not made his Appearance—

I have the honor &c.

H.E. the Govr. Colombo—

We have had fine Weather since Yr. Excellency's Departure, with the Exception of a heavy Shower this Afternoon, which has made me desirous of removing to the Hall of Audience—

22d.—Rode early this Morning by Kumarupe Widiya—Gangarama Wihara, round Udawatte Keyle entered the Road to Alutgam tota, & from thence return to Kandy by Borawey Widiya—Attended Committee of Enquiry regarding the Claim of the Temple, from 11 till 5. The 2 Adikars present—Afterwards receive other Chiefs there. Refer to them Complaints of Head Men of 7 K.

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agst. the late Disaves of Divisions of it for the Restoration of Bulat Surul—

Fine hot Day—Heavy Thunder Shower between 5 & 6 P.M. from

Wrote to the Governor—

23d.—Attended Committee of Enquiry at Magul Maduwa from 10 till 5—More Witnesses of Pitigoda examined. Kapuwatte 2d. Adikar attends all the time—Molligoda Adikar attends at 2 P.M.—An Officer & 12 Men are sent this Afternoon to look after a European Soldier, who is said to have been beaten by 3 Kaffres at Atabage on their Way to Mawela, in Kotmale, & the European missing—With him are sent 2 Korle Atchilles of the Katubulle, & Ranawana Disave of Uda Bulatgama & Kotmale. Late in the Afternoon, Intelligence arrives, that the European has reached Mawela, & the Party is re-called—After Committee, the Servants of the Temple enter the Prize Agents' Store & discover Gold Karandu Patra, & other Vessels, some with Inscriptions denoting the Persons who offered them to the Temple & the Date—They are sealed to be produced before the Committee to-morrow—Recd. to-day the elder Mampitiye Bandara—Dambawinne, late Disave of Gonbadde—& of Meyda & Kadawata K.—Katurgaha Mohottale, of Uwa—The 2 latter take leave previous to going to Uwa, to settle the Country & carry a Letter from Major Mackay to the Commg. Officer of Badulla Captn. Coxon—

A Bullock having died to-day in a Pool within the Precincts of Dewale the Ceremony of bringing back the God to Kandy, which had been fixed for Monday 27th. is postponed, the Kapurale declaring, that 7 Days of Purification are required—

A Malabar Madman, who came with our Followers, having also been seen lying in the Street, an English Soldier is sent to bring him away, lest if he should die there, the Pollution should prevent the Return of the Dalada wahanse & the Gods to Kandy, as proposed on the 27th.—

Fine hot Day—

24th.—Attended Committee of Enquiry from 10 till 2 P.M. The 2d. Adikar present—Heard

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sundry Complaints before. In the Evening held Conference with Molligoda Adikar in Magul Maduwa between 6 & 7 PM.—Sent Gampala Geybanarale & Liyane Appu early this Morning to take Account of, & bring away the Copper Challies, Brass Articles etc.—reported by the Serjeant yesterday—supposed to be at Gampala—Information is given by Horaneykaraya, of Dewiyanne Wela, of hidden Property at Uduwela Pansala—& People sent to bring it—

Fine hot Day—Wrote to the Govr.— & to Major Hardy—

25th.—Attended Committee of Enquiry from 10 till 5—2d. Adikar present—recognises a Gold elegant Ornament set with Emeralds, Diamond & Rubies in imitation of a Bird—& informs, that it was made & offered to the Temple by Kirttisri—His Father Kapuwatte, Disave of Saffragam, went Ambassador to Batavia, & recd. as Presents a Gold Chain & a Diamond Ring—He died on his Passage, & before his Death desired that these Ornaments might be presented to the King—Himself then 11 Years of Age presented them & the King observed—"I bore great Love to the Disave, That Pin may attend him, this Diamond shall be set in the Forehead of the Bird, which is now making for Dedication to Dalada Maligawa—" It was set accordingly, & it now bears that very Diamond—The appearance of the Ornament is also compared with the Iekam Miti—

Mr. Cramer as 2d. Writer & Cornelius Dasanayake Mohm. as 1st. Translator of the Resident's Office, arrive this Afternoon in Kandy—

Kiribatkumbura Punchyrale, Uduwela Maha Mudiyanse & Malay Mohm. return from Uduwela—& bring a large Silver Plate or Salver—A Silver Vessel with Cover, Handun Heppuwa—for holding Sandal Water—A Curiously Carved & Painted Cabinet & Almeyro etc.—

Fine hot Day—

26th.—Sunday—Received in the Morning Visits & Applications of sundry Kandyans—Recd. Visit of Molligoda Adikar in the Magul Maduwa at 1—Desire him to answer Olas recd. from Disave of 3 K., & Pannala Disave Mohottale permitting the

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former to come to Colombo after he has arranged for the Performance of Govt. Service at Ruwanweylle—Eyheylepola Nilame attends at 3—Arrange the Rank & Reception of the 4 Kandyan Chiefs, who accompany the Govr. to Colombo—Unambuwe Disave 1st. in Rank, 2d. Dodanwala Atapattu Lekam—3d. Arawuwala Kunam Maduwe Lekam—4th. Madawala Batwadana Nilame—Eyheylepola asks Molligoda, why he asks Counsel of Millawa—Also exculpates himself from false Reports, that he wished to conceal King's Property deposited at Uduwela—Occupied in Conversation with them till 6 PM.—2 Velvet Sesat & other Articles are brought from Uduwela—31 Bags of Copper Salli, & Brass Articles are brought by Liyane Appu from Gampala—

2 Bandaras, the reputed Sons of the late Rajadhi, & a Malabar Yakada Doli, residing at Dawulagala in Uda Nuwere, attend according to Order—Inform them that it is H.E.'s Pleasure that they proceed with their Mother to Colombo—They state, their purchased Lands, their Want of Means of Subsistence—& strongly object to going—Direct them to hold themselves in Readiness—but permit them to return to their Village for a Day or 2 to see their sick Mother—Eyheylepola says, that these 2 are really the Children of others, viz:—the eldest of Marimuttu belonging to the Ilangame, now here—the youngest of one, Chine, gone to the Coast—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm in the Evening approaches—No Rain—Wrote to the Govr.

27th.—Sundry Visits & Applications of Kandyan in the Morning—Attended Committee of Enquiry—The 2 Adikars present are informed, that H.E. alone can decide their Claim—but such Articles belonging to the Temple, or are necessary for the Approaching Ceremony, shall be immediately restored—They appear well satisfied, & will give a List to-morrow Morning to receive them—Molligoda Adikar informs me, that the Priests have another Matter to state, & will meet some of the Chiefs this Evening near the Magul Maduwa—

In consequence of Information given, sent Mudiyanse, of Asgiriya, Kodituwakku Nilame & Katubulle Lascu. to seek King's Property at

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Galboda & Moragolla, in Matele—Also sent Liyana Appu with others to Eyliyadde in Dumbara on Information given—

More Property is brought in from Uduwela—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm threatens in the Evening—passes off—

„ 28th.—Attended Committee of Enquiry with the 2 Adikars—Aladeniya Kariya Karanna reads & shews in his Lekam Miti of the Temple Property, the Ornaments required for bringing back the Dalada Wahanse—The late Diyawadana Nilames & Priests of Respectability are desired to attend to-morrow, to select & identify the Ornaments required—Heard viva Voce Complaint of Krishna Malabar agt. Kiriporawe Mohm.—The Adikars inform me, that the Priests last Night at the Temple expressed their Fears that there was Danger to their Religion from the Soldiers, & that the Alatti Women would meet with Molestation—but in consequence of their Assurances, they were satisfied—

Sent Messengers to Mulgampola, on Information of Property—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm—Slight Rain & Wind in Afternoon—Wrote to the Govr.—

March 29th.—Visits & Applications of Kandyans in the Morning—Attended Committee of Enquiry in Afternoon at 3—The 2 Adikars, Eylllepola late Diyawadana Nilame & many Priests from both Temples attend—The Property is brought—they recognize many Articles, which are selected, viz: Mala & Malapeti i.e. Chains of Gold & Plates set with precious Stones—3 Karandu—Gold Patra &c. with Inscriptions—(NB. A Ring the private Property of Mr. Wilson amongst other Articles is shewn. Molligoda & the Priests disown it—Kapuwatte & Eylllepola claim it as belonging to the Temple—) The Adikars demur (tho' they consented yesterday) to sign the Paper, pledging themselves to re-deliver the Property in 10 Days, if so required & the Priests being consulted state, that the Ornaments after being placed round the Relic, cannot be returned & they will bring back the Relic, as soon as they are finally delivered up by Authority of His Excellency. The Property is

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sealed up in 2 separate Boxes.—Liyan Appu & the Messengers returning from Eylliade in Dumbara, report that the Property is not to be found.—Silver Roof of King's Kunama, said to have been removed from thence by the Detachment—

Heavy Thunderstorm from E. with Rain between 12 & 2—Clear afterwards—Wrote to Mr. Sutherland—

.. 30th.—The 2 Adikars attend at the Magul Maduwa this Afternoon—Deliver a List of more Articles, chiefly Gold & Silver Vessels &c.—to be selected by the Prize Agents—

Heavy Thunderstorm & Rain from E. between 1 & 3 PM.—Fine before & after.—

Wrote to the Govr.—

.. 31st.—Rode early towards Kundasale—At 2 PM. recd. Visits of Disave of Uwa Keyppitipola—Mampitiye Rate Mahatmaya of Udunuwere & Ratwatte Disave of Matele—The 1st. & 3d. urge their opposite Claims to the Property of the late Ratwatte Disave, beheaded by the King—

Fine Day—Heavy Thunderstorm from E. between 5 & 8 PM. heavy Rain—

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Saturday.

April 1st.—Reed. Visits of Maha Gabada Nilame—Palihipana late Disave of Uda palata—In Afternoon at Magul Maduwa, of Molligoda 1st. Adikar & Galagoda Disave of Nuwara Kalawiya—Desired him to send again for the Principal Wanniyas—

Malay Mohm. & other Messengers return from Uda Nillamba, Mulgampola & *Tumpeyla in Uda palata—scarcely any Property. Kiribatumbura Punchyrale returns from Depalatte with Brass Articles &c. Sent Amunugama Kunam Maduwe Lekam to Hanweyle in Dumbara, to take up & bring to Kandy the Copper Treasure concealed there—

Fine Day—Slight Rain in Evening—Wrote to the Govr.—

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2d.—Recd. Applications of Kandyans in the Morning—In the Afternoon recd. in the Magul Maduwa Visits of 1st. & 2d. Adikars & of Kobbeykaduwa late Siya Pattuwe Adikar, who arrived in Kandy 3 Days ago—2d. Adikar informs, that Friday Afternoon at 9 Hours before Night is again fixed for bringing back to Kandy the Dalada Wahanse—

Uda Gabada Nilame comes from Dumbara with Guns, Brass Articles &c.

Fine hot Day—Wrote Official Letter to Mr. Sutherland—

Sent to the Ordnance Stores 1 Bondikkula & 69 Guns & Gun barrels brought from Dumbara—

3d.—Recd. Visits of Kandyans in the Morning—Recd. Visit of 2 Adikars in Afternoon from 3 till 6—Took Account of sundry Gold & Silver Articles stated to be necessary for the Festival of bringing back the Sacred Relic—which is fixed for Friday next—The Adikars state, that the Priests still express their Fears & Doubts, that their Religion will be disparaged, & the Sacred Relic carried away—& some of have spoken, that a Singaleze King is necessary for the Protection & Increase of their Religion—They have said every Thing to allay them—Molligoda in particular is anxious, that it should not be again postponed—Kapuwatte rather inclines to the same after 2 Disappointments, but equally or more favourable Day will occur after the Sangrantiya—The Adikars consent to sign the Obligation, before required, without consulting the Priests—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm in Evening—Wrote to the Govr.—

April 4th.—Attended at Hall of Audience from 8½ to 4½—The 2 Adikars attend & 4 Principal Priests to identify the Property of the Temple—The Property selected on March 29th. & to-day, consisting of many Valuable Articles, is delivered to their Charge. The 2 Adikars sign an Obligation pledging themselves to re-deliver them in 10 Days, if so required. I sign it also, as guaranteeing their Pledge—

A large Silver Koraha, or Bathing Vessel, with other Property is brought from Depalata—

April 4th 1913. Dumbara Rate Mahatmaya brings Cloths, Brass Ware &c. from Dumbara—

Fine Day—Heavy Thunderstorm with Rain between 5 & 7 PM.—

5th.—Recd. Visits of Mampitiye Bandara, Rate Mah. of Udunuwere—& of Amunugama Do. or Chief of Dumbara, previous to his Return to Dumbara—In consequence of Information given by Hitpola Kankan, Search is made in the Court, near the of the Palace, & Lumps of Iron in the State in which they are brought from the Country are found buried—Kapuwatte 2d. Adikar & Maliga Diyawadana Nilame sets off early for Pitigoda to conduct the Dalada wahanse in Form to Kandy—Sent to the Ordnance Store 3 Bondikkula, or large Guns—& 146 small Singaleze Guns & Gun barrels brought from Dumbara—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm from E. at 4 PM.—Rain continues till near Midnight.

6th.—Met Molligoda Adikar at the Hall of Audience at 9 AM.—walked with him to Dalada Maligawa, where Preparations of Ornament with Kehel & Gokkola are making for the Reception of the Sacred Relic. Molligoda again visits me at my Lodging & states, in answer to my Enquiries, that it will be advisable to give a Danaya to the Priests, the Morning after the Sacred Relic is brought—At 4 PM. visited Eyheylepola, who during the last 4 or 5 Days has been giving a Mataka Danaya, or daily Victuals to 20 Priests, in Piety to his Relations, lately executed. His Marriage will take place in Wesak, & begs leave to entertain the English Gentlemen on that Day. He thinks, it will be convenient to receive his 5000 Pagodas at Colombo—He will inform, when he wants them—He accepts my Invitation to come to the Hall of Audience to-morrow, to accompany me to meet the Dalada wahanse—At 8 PM. Millawa Disave of Wellasse & Madugalle Gajanayake Nilame attend, & inform that a Katubulle Messenger is arrived from Kapuwatte Diyawadana Nilame, who was at Meyda Maha Nuwara to-day at Noon, to state, that the Dalada wahanse is at Meydiwaka, beyond Meyda Maha Nuwara, at such a Distance that it cannot be brought to Kandy to

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the Neykata to-morrow—The Chiefs have met at the 1st. Adikar's & have requested them to state the foregoing, & that as the Gods have already arrived at Ganoruwe this Evening, it will be advisable to conduct them to Kandy for the Neykata to-morrow—to bring Dalada wahanse to Degaldoruwe or Kundasale Wihara to-morrow, & to Kandy at another favourable Neykata—I recommend, that they write to Kapuwatte, to use every Exertion to bring the Sacred Relic to Kandy at the Neykata to-morrow—The Chiefs are all proceeding to-morrow Morning to the River to meet & conduct the Gods. They will stop & send Word to me from Hapugahagawa Kadawata, that I may proceed to meet them—It will be advisable to send the Musicians as far as Wellatte—On the last Occasion, after the English evacuated Kandy, the Gods returned 5 or 6 Days before the Dalada Wahanse—Sent Messengers this Evening to Kobbeykaduwe Nayaka Unnanse, to enquire in what manner the Dalada wahanse must be conducted into Kandy to-morrow—He replies that it will be brought in a Palanquin as far as Kundasale; that himself will proceed to take his Meal at Kundasale to-morrow & bring it in his Hand in a Palanquin by Kumarup* Kadawata—from thence round the Lake by Malwatte Wihara—when it will be mounted upon an Elephant, & conducted along the Dam & Street to the Maligawa. This road is preferable, because the Relic cannot pass under the Gateway mounted upon an Elephant, & a Corpse has lately been buried near Kumarup

Preparations are made in Kandy by purifying & adorning the Streets—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm approaches in Afternoon—passes off. Wrote to the Govr.—

- 7th.—Received Visits of 2 Gabada Nilames in the Morning—Kobbeykaduwa Nayaka Unnanse sets off early for Kundasale, with Intention of bringing the Dalada wahanse, but meeting a Priest, who informs, that the Place, where it is now deposited is not known for certain returns—Kiribatkumbure Punchyrale sent to know the Cause, informs me, that the High Priest spoke in reproachful

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Terms of the Kandyan Chiefs, for assuming Dresses & Privileges forbidden by Custom—& neglecting the Respect & Attention due to the Priests—The High Priest is always consulted on Matters regarding the Dalada wahanse—but this time Kapuwatte went, without Communication with himself or the Priests—He is however perfectly willing, that the Dalada wahanse be brought to Kandy in a proper Manner on the first favourable Day after the New Year—

Molligoda Adikar goes early this Morning to to meet the Gods—A Guard of Honour with a Commissioned Officer goes to meet it at Wellatte with a Band of Music. Messengers from the Adikar successively announce to me its Arrival at Katukeyle, Mulgampola & Hapugaha Kadawata—I go to meet it at 1 PM. (sending to Eyheylepola on my Way) & find the Procession near the Hapugaha waiting my Arrival—I join the procession & it proceeds in Order—first the People, Banners & Hewisi of the Disavanies with their respective Disaves—next the Lekams—next the English Band—Next the Elephants bearing the Arms of the Gods—each a Golden Bow in a Ranhili Ge or Cage—1st. Nat'ha on a large Elephant, with 2 on each Side—2d. Vishnu in like Manner—3d. Kataragam—4. Pattini, a Kapurale bearing the Bow—& the 2 last without the attendant Elephants—each Elephant followed by the Basnayake Nilame & other Servants—next, 4 Palanquins in Order as above, bearing the other Arms & Vessels of the respective Gods—followed by other Attendants & by Alatti Women—next myself accompanied by the Adikar, & the Rate Mahatmilla, & other Chiefs—the Procession passes through Sanhinde, the Maha Maluwa, round Nat'ha Dewale—all the Kandyan Chiefs stand in order in Dewa Sanhinde, the Elephants bearing the Arms of the Gods, standing at the Gates of their respective Temples, till the Neykata arrives. At before Night according to Singalese Reckoning, the auspicious Hour is announced by the firing of a Kodituwakkuwa, & the Arms are instantly borne into the 4 Temples, under a Salute of Kodituwakku, & 9 Guns from our Artillery in the Maha Maluwa—

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The 2 Kapuralla of Nat'ha & Vishnu state—that to-morrow (Saturday) is the proper Day for sending the accustomed Panduru (Offerings)—The Chiefs take their leave at Dewa Sanhinde & the Ceremony concludes—

Kapuwatte Disave returns from Meyda Maha Nuwara this Evening, being unable to find for certain, where the Dalada wahanse is deposited—He sends a Messenger to me from Kundasale, requesting leave to cross the River—His Messengers sent from Meyda Maha Nuwara to Pitigoda, were referred to Pallewela, where the Priests said, it had been removed from thence 5 or 6 Days before—it was reported, to Kitulpe—

Rain from W. between 1 & 2 PM., as the Procession commences—fine afterwards—Wrote to the Govr.—

Eyheylepola did not join the Procession—After we passed, he appeared on horseback behind—I stopped for a Minute, sending to know, whether he intended to join us—He said “I cannot go with that Tale” & desired us to proceed—At Dewa Sanhinde, near the Neykata, he sends a Message to enquire, whether he shall go home, being indisposed, & having no Rajakariya to perform here—I replied, “I should have been happy if he had accompanied us, & waited here till the Neykata—but if he is indisposed it is no Matter, & there is no Objection to his going home”—

NB. Many Kandyans say, that Eyheylepola has to-day been acting the Part of the King, who was accustomed on such Occasions to ride in the Rear on horseback—He mentioned to me yesterday, that a sore Foot disabled him from walking without Difficulty, & probably will explain the Circumstance in that Manner—

Pirit.

April 8th.—Uda Gabada Nilame, Madugalle, attends & asks leave to go to his Village in Dumbura to see his sick Child—also a Passport to bring his Family to Kandy—Various Visits & applications of Kandyans—Meet Molligoda Adikar at the Hall of Audience at 5 PM.—He states Complaint of the Chiefs agt. Eyheylepola for riding on Horseback yesterday—& his own agt. Galboda Vidan, of

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Matele, for abusing him in the Street—I go with him to the Dalada Maligawa, where the Presents prepared with great Purity for offering to the 4 Dewales are produced. I take each Bundle separately, & deliver them to the Appuhamies, appointed to carry them to the Temples—The 4 Kapuralla stand on the left—myself with the 1st. Adikar on Right, 2d. Adikar on left, & the other Chiefs on each Side in the Veranda of the Temple—I address them saying—We are not come to this Country to destroy the Religion of Buddha & the Gods, which have prevailed from antient Time in this Country, but to protect & to promote it. I desire you to pray to the Gods to bestow Favour on us & all the Inhabts. of this Island—This Address is repeated with Amplification by the Adikar—The Kapurale replies at length, stating, that Buddha delivered Charge of this Island & Religion to Seakra, who committed it to Vishnu, who from the time of King Wijaya has protected them during a long Succession of Kings, & whilst Reverence has been paid to the Gods, the World & Religion have prospered—Now since they have heard from the Chiefs, that the English Govt. rules the Country, & that Religion will be protected & promoted: they are ready to perform their Service & to pray for the Welfare & Prosperity of all the Inhabts. of Ceylon—But it will be difficult to perform their Services without our Assistance—I assure them, that they will receive every Assistance for the due Performance of their Religious Ceremonies & Worship—The Appuhs. severally bear away the Presents under Wiyantattu (Canopies borne by 4 Men on Poles) to their respective Temples, attended by others, having small Umbrellas (Mutukuda) & with Hewisi—& followed by Disaves & other Chiefs according to Custom, 2 to each Temple to offer the Presents—

After their Departure I enquire the Cause of his Failure to bring the Dalada wahanse. He replied, that he went, upon Information from the Servants of the Temple—that it was at Pallewela (from Pitigoda), he sent to acquaint Nayaka Unnanse with his Journey, & did not learn from him the contrary—He did not himself converse with the Nayaka Unnanse—I observe that

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the Nayaka Unnanse could not be ignorant, where it was deposited—Molligoda asks rather sharply, whether the High Priest & Diyawadana Nilame can possibly be ignorant? Kapuwatte replies with some Asperity, & a little Altercation ensues, which is soon appeased—when Ratwatte attacks him with Asperity, & a violent Altercation begins, which Molligoda, Millawa & myself in vain endeavour to appease—I tell them, it is disgraceful to the Chiefs to behave in this manner even in the Streets—& most highly improper in this Place—I will remain no longer—I leave the Temple & peremptorily call the 2 Adikars only to the Hall of Audience—Ratwatte follows to the Door, but I peremptorily forbid him to come, & direct him to return immediately to his Walawuwa—& he obeys—At the Hall I again enquire from Kapuwatte the Cause of this Failure—& state my Opinion, that it has arisen from his Failure to consult the High Priest—He says, he sent to the High Priest 3 or 4 Days before he left Kandy to know where the Relic was deposited—The Reply was—That it was in that Part, viz: towards Pallewela—& the Day before his Departure, he sent Word again to the High Priest, that he was going—No Answer was returned—& having learnt from the Servants of the Temple, that it was at Pallewela he went—However, he has failed this time, & all persons are liable to Error—but he has sent Persons to ascertain, where the Relic is, & engages to conduct it to Kandy, before Nanamura Mangalya—He believes, Dalada wahanse must have been removed in Consequence of a Message, which he sent to that Effect, the Day in which the Priests said in the Magul Maduwa, that it could not be brought back to Kandy, till all the Property belonging to the Temple was definitively restored—I repeat, that the Failure has occurred, because he did not consult the High Priest & recommend, that he do so now—He promises to comply—

Millawa Disave joins, & a desultory Conversation takes place till 8 PM.: principally between the 2 Adikars, on the Dereliction of former Customs, which have been forgotten only since 30 Days—alluding to the Conduct of Eyheylepola on Horseback yesterday—

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Fine Day—Slight Shower & heavy Clouds with Thunder & Lightning in the Afternoon.

Wrote to Mr. Sutherland—

N.B. The Panduru sent to the 4 Temples are as follows:

April 9th.—Sent Kiribatkumbure Punchyrale & Liyan Aratchy to Kobbeykaduwe Nayake Unnanse to explain, that I thought Kapuwatte had gone to bring the Sacred Relic, after Communication with him—that I consider this the proper Course, & I trust, it will now be adopted—He replies, that he was anxious, lest I should suppose the Disappointment to have taken place by his Deceit. He will enquire the first favourable Neykata from Walgamarale & Pananwala Ganitaya & inform me—He mentions certain Preparations of cleaning & ornamenting the Road from Hindagala to Geytamba, & from thence to Kandy—& a Pan Pujawa also should take place—He sends me in the Evening an Ola which states—

In the Afternoon Eyheylepola Nilame visits me—states, that it will be advisable to bring the Dalada Wahanse as soon as possible, to Kandy—After which it is his Intention to go to Colombo. There are many Differences amongst the Chiefs, & they are adverse to him, & the Govt. is not rightly settled—& he may be drawn into Evil—I reply, that I shall want his Advice on many Matters—& he presses his Journey no longer—The Altercation yesterday at the Temple was very indecorous, & both Kapuwatte & Ratwatte were blameable—Met Molligoda Adikar & other Chiefs at 6 PM. at the Hall of Audience. Desired the Katgas (Ornaments of Kehelgas & Gokkola) to be planted at Dalada Maligawa & in the Dakina Mandapa as usual, for the New Year—Mullegama, late Disave of Batugedara & Nawadun K. attends for the 1st. time & is introduced to me—He has been sick in Walapana, & came to Kandy 7 or 8 Days ago—Kobbeykaduwe late Siya Pattuwe Adikar attends & requests leave to go to his Village—He hopes for our Assistance—An English Sentry is detected to-day stealing a Bag of Copper from my Store.—On examining

Fine hot Day—Clouds rise in the Afternoon from SW. pass off—Wrote to the Govr.

April 10th.—2 Kandyans of Talawinne are sent by the Officer at Eytgala Pass, charged with knocking down & plundering a Cooly in his Service. Delivered to the custody of the 1st. Adikar—Others concerned are sent for—Met the 2 Adikars at the Magul Maduwa at 5 PM.—& made Arrangement for the Ornamental Ceremonies at the Palace to-morrow in Commemoration of the Sinhaleze New Year—At 9 PM. went for $\frac{1}{2}$ an Hour to Nat'ha Dewale, where the 2 Adikar & other Chiefs are assembled, superintending the Composition & Preparation of Medicinal Water, Bet diyara, of which 2 Earthen Pots are to be sent early to-morrow Morning to the Temples in Kandy, to Temples in the Country—& to the Walawuu of the 2 Adikars—

The Betge Mohm. & about 25 or 30 others belonging to the Betge are employed, some Pounding the Drugs in a Mortar, some boiling them & straining the Water, & 15 sitting in an Oval Circle on the Ground, separating the Leaves & Drugs & composing their Proportions & tying the Water in Mutti—The Mouth of the Mutti is covered with Plaintain Leaf, & over the Leaf with a Piece of Cloth—& tied with a Band, which is sealed on Wax with

—One Mutti contains Water expressed from Imbul Kola—the other Water in which

Species of Drugs & Herbs according to a Soloka have been steeped—2 Hannali are employed in sewing Kondagam or Tassels made of Cloth covering pendent* Kohomba Leaves—& Piyum of Water Lilies of Cloth & Kolom Leaves—NB. The Kondagam are suspended over the Head, & the Piyum trampled under the Feet, whilst the Head & Neck is anointed with the Water at the

Neykata—

Returned at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ —Fine hot Day—Wrote to the Govr.—

11th.—Singaleze New Year—The Medicinal Waters (2 small Mutti of each) are dispatched with Hewisi & great Pomp to the several Temples in Kandy & in the Country, not excepting Dalada Maligawa, at 11 AM.—6 Muttis are sent to me in an Earthen Platter with a Kondagam or Tassel &

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Piyum or Flower—Sundry Visits & Complaints of Kandyans in the Morning—At 6½ PM. Eyheylepola, attends first at the Magul Maduwa— & afterwards the 2 Adikars & other Kandyan Chiefs—The Hour of Sangranti * calculated by the Ganitaya with a *Peynteytiya, is announced by Hewisi at Nat'ha Dewale & a Discharge of 8 Kodituwakku (2 of each Disawany)—All wait in the Magul Maduwa, till the Hour of Kant'has Nanaya. 4½ Hours after Close of Day—which is announced by Hewisi at Nat'ha Dewale—A Silver Teapot & another Silver Vessel being previously placed on a Table spread with white Cloth—A Kondagam suspended from the Ceiling, a Piyum on the Ground under it—& 2 Wax Candles placed on the Table towards the East, first Eyheylepola, & next the 2 Adikars, Disaves & other Chiefs according to their Rank, perform the Ceremony—The Vessel is filled with the Medicinal Water & Imbul leaf Water, from 2 Muttis mixed—The Teapot with pure Water. Each Person first dipping his Finger of Right Hand in the mixed Medicinal Water anoints his Right Forehead & Temple, fronting the East, & then dipping his Hand in the fresh Water, washes the same Parts, standing under the Kondagam & treading on the Piyum—They shortly after take leave.

NB. 2 Dogs having been shot to-day in the Street between Nat'ha & Pattini Dewala, the Doors of these 2 & of Vishnu Dewale shut, & no Ceremonies can be performed for 3 Days.

In consequence of Information from Capt. Cleather, of a Disposition shewn by the Inhabts. to plunder the Prize Money at Imbula Talawa, ordered Maha Gabada Nilame to proceed thither early to-morrow Morning to prevent Disturbance & to procure Assistance in removing the Treasure.

Fine hot Day—Wind SW.—Wrote to Mr. Sutherland—

12th.—The Kandyans eat their Meal on Occasion of the New Year at ; this Day, to-morrow & the Day after till after Daylight, are Days of Vacation, on which the Kandyans perform no kind of Work or Journey—Met the 2

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Adikars at the Hall of Audience at 5 PM.—
Conversed till 6½—The Rate Mahatmaya of
Udunuwere sends Word, that 4 white Men &
several Natives came to Eymbeykke the Day before
yesterday, & proceeded to break & search for
Sugandhi (Amethysts) & took by force Fowls &
other Provisions from the Inhabts.—Wrote
Officially to Major Mackay to prohibit & re-call
them—At 8 PM. Yakadura & a Wahumpuraya
attend from the Disave of 4 K., with an Ola, bearing
his Signature, as a Proof, & a Message, stating,
that this Afternoon at 6 Hours before Dark, the
Widow & 2 Daughters of the late Lewuke Disave,
who was executed, fled for Protection to him at
Molligoda Walawuwa, on Information, that a
Number of People were coming from Eyheylepola
to bring them away to Kandy by Force—2 Vidans
had come 4 Days before to call them & were
refused—The Disave was determined to defend
them, if attacked; & requested the Protection, in
such an Event, of Soldiers from Ganeteynne—
Whilst I was at Colombo, he lived, trusting in my
Protection, & he does the same now—I desired them
to assure the Disave, that no one would be
permitted under the British Govt. to use such
Violence agt. his Female Relations; & I trust, his
Fears are groundless—

Fine hot Day—No Appearance of Rain—

13th.—At 9½ AM. Eyheylepola & the 2 Adikars
attend at the Magul Maduwa—& about 11½ 5
Priests in particular attend, to identify the Pro-
perty of the Temple viz: Weyliwita—Tibbotu-
wawe—Kotikapola, of Malwatte Wihara—Owiti-
pana & Kotagama, of Asgiriya—Many other
Articles, of Value as Gold Chains—& other
Ornaments set with Stones &c. are produced by
the Prize Agents. A few are distinctly recognized
—Many are stated to be doubtful, the Priests
allegding, that many *such* were amongst the
Property of the Temple, but they cannot clearly
identify them—& they refer to the Lekam Miti—
A few Articles are denied—Amongst the first, are
a small Gold Karanduwa, contg. a small Gold Case
set with precious Stones of the Size, & calculated
to contain the Dalada wahanse, & a Gold *Leave

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to enfold it—a Golden Book with Golden Leaves, inscribed with Siamese Characters—containing Upasampada & other Wakya, & a Golden Book & Golden Leaves, inscribed with Siamese Characters & containing Sutras in Pali—Amongst the last is a Book with Silver Leaves, engraved with Singaleze Characters & contg. also Sutras

in Pali—The first Description, according to the Govr.'s General Order of April 6th. are unconditionally surrendered to the Temple. The 2d. are sealed with my Seal for further Examination, & the 3d. left in the Hands of the Prize Agents—Occupied all Day till 6 PM.—As the Priests were called early to the Palace, I caused a Danaya to be prepared & given to them at the Pattrippuwa in the best Kandyan Manner, with 4 Kinds of Rice, 31 of Curry, & 12 of Cakes &c.—& sent some of it to Kobbeykaduwe Nayake Unnanse, who is unable, from Sickness to attend—

Maha Gabada Nilame, Kadigomuwe, returns from Imbulatalawa with the Copper Money & without any Disturbance—Sent 35 Madige Bullocks to Major Hardy, Depty. Commissy. at Ruwanweyle—

Fine hot Day—without Clouds—

14th.—Sundry Visits & Applications of Kandyans in the Morning. Attended at the Hall of Audience from 1 till 6—The 2 Adikars with Owitipana & Kotagama Unnanse attend to identify more Property of the Temple—Many Gold & Silver Articles & Cloths are produced & identified & given up. Some broken Pieces of Gold & Silver Vessels are resigned by the Adikars & Priests, on Consideration of appropriating to the Temple 5 Golden Cups, doubtful Property, & a large Silver Plate admitted to be the King's, which had been delivered for their temporary Use on the 4th.—A fine Image of Buddha carved of Crystal, which neither Adikars nor Priests recognize, is presented to the Temple by the Committee, & it is recd. with much Satisfaction—Sundry Cloths & Pieces of Gold & Silver are placed under my Seal, as doubtful—8 Houses burnt down in last Night, 20 in on the Night of the 11th.—These Fires are supposed to originate from Incendiaries, hoping to share Plunder in the Confusion—The

April 14th 1813. auspicious Hour of Receipt & Expenditure occurs at 19½ Hours after Daylight—

April 15th.—Visits & Complaints of Kandyans in the Morning—Committee meets in Afternoon from 1 till 3—The Gold & Silver Coins in possession of the Prize Agents are counted & recorded & placed under my Seal as doubtful—Adikars & Priests attend—

Recd. by Express a Political & Secret Letter from the Govr., regarding the suspected Designs of Eyheylepola—Answered it by the same Messengers—

Fine hot Day.

16th.—Sunday—Employed during greater Part of the Day in dispatching Bullocks with Copper Challies to Ruwanweyle—at RD. 3 Hire pr. Bullock carrying about to bring Rice from thence at RD. 3, 3½ & 4—Copper weighed by Commissariat Steel Yards—

My 2d. Assistant Mr. Wright arrives from Colombo—

Fine hot Day—Wrote 2 Letters to the Govr.—

Between 7 & 8 PM. Molligoda Adikar sends Message, that he heard from Lewuke, there are Symptoms of Insurrection in Uwa—Lewuke says he heard, that Katugaha Mohottale has told the People, That Soldiers & Robbers are going about & plundering the Country—They must remain in their Villages to take care of their Homes & Families, without going either to Kandy or Badulla—Sent to Colombo by 6 Coolies a Curious Cabinet, Ebony inlaid with Ivory, King's property, & Painted Stand carved with Figures—

17th.—Visits & Complaints of Kandyans in the Morning. At the Hall of Audience from 4 till 6 PM.—The 2 Adikars, Disave of Matele & other Chiefs attend. Heard Complaints—one agt. 3 Men of Atabage in Kotmale, for beating 4 Soldiers—Private Conversation with Molligoda Adikar—He says, the People are slack in their Obedience on acct. of Rumours, that Eyheylepola will be invested with a high Authority—I recommend, that the Disaves repair to their*Disaves. to establish the

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Authority of Govt.—& send the Customary Duties—Kat Rajakariya—to Kandy—He approves & says, Wednesday Sennight (25th.) is an auspicious Neykat for their Departure—

On Information given sent Liyana Appu & others to Butawatte in Hewaheyta to search for King's Property—

Fine hot Weather Clear Sky—

18th.—Sundry Visits & Complaints of Kandyans in the Morning—In Afternoon recd. the Visit of Eyheylepola at the Magul Maduwa from 5 to 6½ PM.—He assents to my Proposal, & Opinion that the Disave of Uwa & Molligoda Adikar, of 7 K., should go to their respective Disavanies—He fears, the rest will oppress the Inhabts. & thinks it unnecessary, that they should go—He hears Molligoda Adikar is preparing a Toppiya similar to his own (made & first worn at Colombo) with Gold Bopat—& designs to obtain leave at Colombo to wear it—He begged in the Commencement to be subjected to no Singaleze, but to serve at the Feet of the English. If others obtain the same Privileges, he desires to go & reside in the English Country—He has been sick for the last few Days, & not yet recovered—

In Consequence of Information given sent Pitiyagedara Aratchy, a Katubulle Lasen. & others to bring Property from Dunuwila, between Meda Maha Nuwere & Wenduruwa—

Also Medawala Lekam, of Aramudala—& a Katubulle Lasen. to bring King's Property from Hewaheyta, in conjunction with Demodere Nilame, who is now there—

The Younger Brother of the late Muddusamy & 2 other Relations attend according to Order—Desired them to proceed immediately to the Dewinwahansela, Widows of the late King Rajadhi, to enquire their Health, & on what Day they will be ready to proceed to Colombo—

19th.—Recd. Visits & Application of Kandyans in the Morning. Kandegedere Mohottale & 3 other Chiefs of the 7 K. attend & complain agt. Torawature Mohottale, now Disave Lekam of Thaladolos P., whose Family never before enjoyed as high an Office—& that he receives the Money for

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Articles furnished to the Officer at Kurnneygala by the People, but does not pay them—& he is said to be guilty of other Exactions. They think it will be advisable for Molligoda Adikar to go into the 7 K. to enquire into these Matters, & to direct the People, what Duty they are to perform—Informed them, that I have conversed with Maha Nilame, & he will repair to his Disavany on Wednesday next—Met the 2 Adikars & other Kandyan Chiefs at the Hall of Audience at 5 PM.—

Reproved Ratwatte Disave for the Failure of the Tappauls in Matele—& directed Messengers to be established immediately—Instructed the Disave of Uwa, Keyppitipola to proceed to his Disavany. Delivered to the 2 Adikars & other Chiefs for Hearing Complaint of People of 7 K. agt. Asmadale late Disave & Lekams for recovery of Presents &c. given under the late King—

Mideniye Nilame having resigned in Consequence of Sickness, the Office of Hunubadde, delivered Charge thereof to Dehigama Nilame, who before enjoyed it, subject to the Govr.'s Approbation—

Fine hot Day—

A Fire takes place this Night between 11 & 12 in the House of Kobbeykaduwe late Siya Pattu Adikaram but extends no further—One Man only in the House—The Cause of it undiscovered—

April 20th.—Visits & Applications of Kandyans in the Morning—Met Molligoda Adikar at the Hall of Audience in the Afternoon—He recommends, that Kandegedere the Principal Mohottale of 7 K. Pahalados P., be appointed Disave Lekam instead of Kawudumunne—

Galagoda Disave of Nuwara Kalawiya attends & complains, that his Property has been brought from Pananwala in Hewaheyta—as King's Property—Messengers have arrived from the Elder Nuwara weywe Mudiyanse, called Bulankulame Wanniya, stating, that he is on his Way to Kandy, but delays to collect the customary Rajakariya—He hears, that he is calling before him the People of the whole Pattu, & wishes to possess the whole Authority, to the Exclusion of his Brother (younger) now in Kandy—25 Pieces of Silver Plate

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sent in by Lieut. Andrews found by him in possession of Amunugama Kunam Maduwe Lekam, sent by me to open the Copper Treasure at Hanweylle—He writes, that he went there in consequence of a Report, that Robbers were plundering it—& that this Chief at first denied the Silver Plate—This Chief informs me by Ola, that he caused the Silver Plate to be brought from Mimura, & sends the Copper Plate found at Hanweylle, which shews its Contents to be 35 Amms., besides 3000 Ridi found at Uduwela near it—Katubulle Lascn. & Aratchy sent on 17th. to Hewaheyta return—but bring only Property claimed by Galagoda Disave—

Fine hot Day—Thunderstorm approaches from E. at 5 PM. passes off. Wrote to the Govr.—

21st.—Disave of Nuwara Kalawiya visits me with Nuwara weywe Kuda Mudiyanse, who was imprisoned by the late King till our Arrival, the Half Brother (by different Mothers) of the Wanniya called Bulankulame Mudiyanse, who lately fled to our Territory—He requests Permission to return to his Country, having no Means of living here—& requests that the Pattu, Nuwaraweywe may as formerly be divided between himself & his Half Brother. It was lately divided into 3 Parts till the Death of the younger own Brother of Bulankulame Mudiyanse—Informed him, that his Request would be considered & a just Arrangement made. But I think it advisable, that he remain in Kandy a few Days longer—He says, that he was saved by the Arrival of the English, & he has no other Assistance except in me—

Published a Proclamation offering a reward of RD. 100 for the Discovery of the Authors of either of the 3 Fires in Kandy—The Kapurale of Gadala-deniya Dewale brings a Box contg. a Glass Candlestick, & Glass Cylinder—with Rags—& complains against Bambaradeniya Liyanarale for beating one of the Servants of the Temple, accusing them of having opened the Box & stolen Property—

Fine Day—Thunderstorm & heavy Shower from SE. between 6½ & 8 PM.—

22d.—In the Morning recd. Visits of 2d. Adikar & Disave of Uwa in the Hall of Audience—The former states, that the Dalada wahanse will be

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brought to-day to Hindagala from Puhulpitiya in Kotmale—It would be advisable to bring it to Huduhumpola Wihara to-morrow in early time to enter the Temple at 10 AM. on Monday—& he has sent accordingly to the High Priest—Pananwala Ganitaya states, that the Neykata is auspicious from 10 till 10½ but not beyond it—The Disave of Uwa states, that the 3 Men of Uwa, who went to Colombo to complain, have not yet returned—

Molligoda Adikar, Millawa Disave visit me in the Afternoon at Hall of Audience—& think it their duty to state 2 Matters first, that some Chiefs are appropriating Villages, which having belonged to their Decd. Relations, were confiscated by the King—2dly. that the Inhabts. of many Provinces are slack in their Obedience—They submit to me what is advisable to be done—I replied, that with respect to the 1st., I have signified already to the Chiefs, that they must not regard the Villages as their own, till granted by the English Govt. tho' their Claims will be taken into favourable Consideration—To remedy the 2d. that it may be advisable to publish a Proclamation, directing the People to perform the Customary Duties, & to obey the Disaves & Chiefs—They concur in the Propriety of this—Employed in the Hall of Audience till 8 PM. hearing Complaint of Nicolas Silva of Sedawatte against a Moorman for RD. 50 stolen—Sent Message to Maha Nayaka Unnanse desiring that *මහරජතිසානසුත්තං may be the Subject of the Priests' Ratriya Bana on Monday. He replies that there is not time to write & study it, for so early a Day & he has fixed

Fine hot Day—Storm appears in SW. but does not rise—Wrote to the Govr.—

23d.—The High Priest leaves Kandy this Morning for Hindagala to conduct the Sacred Relic—& sends Word that it will not be possible to carry it into the Temple so early as the fixed Neykata—10 Hours after Daylight—because the Hil Multeyn-banawa takes place within an Hour after Daylight, & Maha Multeyn at 7 Hours. It is his Intention that it should leave Hindagala at 10 & enter the Temple at some auspicious Hour in the Afternoon—

* Maha Parinibbāna Suttap.

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Poye Hewisi will take place all Night, & next Day till Noon. As the High Priest must be present at Bana, & will be much fatigued with Travelling on Monday, it will be better to defer it till Tuesday Evening, & the Danaya to the Priests may take place also on Tuesday morning.

Sundry Visits & Applications of Kandyans in the Morning—Maha Gabada Nilame busy in preparing the Danaya—Received the Visit of Kapuwatte Diyawadana Nilame at the Hall of Audience in the Afternoon—The Sacred Relic was brought from Puhulpitiye in Kotmale to Atabage on Friday—to Hindagala yesterday—He advised, that it should be brought to-day to Hudu Humpala Wihara, near Katukeyle, in early time to enter the Temple to-morrow, but the High Priest disapproved. He thinks, because Huduhumpala belongs to Asgiri Wihara—However, the Sacred Relic beyond all Doubt will be brought to Kandy to-morrow—Preparations are made during the few last Days for the Festival—& by adorning Dalada Maligawa, the Pillars with Cloths, & by purifying the Streets.

Issued Order to the Malays at Katukeyle, & to all the Inhabts. of the Maritime Provinces now in Kandy to cleanse the Streets before their Doors.

Kottalbadde Nilame brings a Silver Neyliya belonging to the Gabadawa, & 36 Metal Rings found in the Possession of Mul Achari—King's Property—

Fine Morning—Thunderstorm & heavy Rain from E. between 1 & 3 PM.—

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Colombo, May 3. The following is an extract of a letter from a correspondent at Candy, dated 28th April:—I shall now give you the particulars of the ceremony of replacing the Sacred Relic in the principal temple, which took place last Monday.

To give splendour to this event, preparations were made for many days previous. On Sunday, the high-priest left Candy, for the purpose of

escorting it in, attended by a numerous body of priests. About one o'clock, it was intimated to Mr. D'Oyly, that the procession was approaching, when he, attended by Mr. Wright and myself, left the palace on foot, and proceeded toward the entrance of the town, to join it. On our arrival, we were met by the high-priest and chiefs, who appeared delighted at this mark of respect to their religion—complimentary congratulations detained the procession for a short period, when it proceeded in the following order:—

Eight large elephants, with white tusks, with rich coverings, accompanied by numerous attendants.

High-priest, supported by two young priests.

One hundred and fifty priests.

A SACRED IMAGE,

Covered with gold brocade, carried in a muncheal, with a canopy over it.

Sixty flags of different colours.

Trumpets and tom-toms.

Dancing girls.

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Molligoddie, 1st adigar, attended by numerous

Two hundred head-men.

[chiefs.

Gingals of the temple.

Tom-toms.

Drums of his Majesty's 3d Ceylon regiment.

Five most beautiful tusked elephants abreast, the centre one carrying

THE SACRED RELIC.

This elephant was highly ornamented, tusks cased in gold; the rest carried attendants, holding silver and gilt umbrellas and fans, &c.

Whips.

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Capuwatte, 2d. Adigar, in charge of the Temple, attended by many chiefs, and accompanied by Mr.

D'Oyly, Mr. Wright, and myself.

Some hundred head-men and followers.

Six large tusked elephants followed separately next, each carrying a sacred image.

Some hundreds of natives.

Ehehleyypola, who intimated that his health would not admit of his walking, followed in the rear on horseback, with a numerous body of attendants.

The procession extended more than a mile; it reached the palace, in which the principal temple is situated, at four o'clock, but the soothsayer having intimated that the propitious hour had not arrived, the procession again moved round the square opposite the palace. Upon its arrival a salute was fired from the gingsals of the temple, which was answered by one from the royal artillery: after this, the Sacred Relic was taken from off the elephant's back by two servants of the temple, whose mouths were covered for the purpose of preventing their breath from contaminating the object of their worship: after this the chiefs, attended by the priests, retired within the temple, Mr. D'Oyly, &c. being also invited to enter, which we did, first taking off our shoes; after a few complimentary words, Mr. D'Oyly intimated, that he wished to make an offering to the temple, in the name of His Excellency the Governor, and would retire to bring it. After a short interval, he returned, and presented as an offering to the temple, a most beautiful musical clock, which was sent out during the government of Gen. Maitland. The burst of applause which continued for some minutes, upon this beautiful work being produced (which so fully showed the superiority of our countrymen as mechanics), proved the high estimation they put upon the present; but when, as if by magic, this little machine was put in motion, the expressions of delight, by both priests and chiefs, exceeded all belief; several other smaller customary offerings were made.

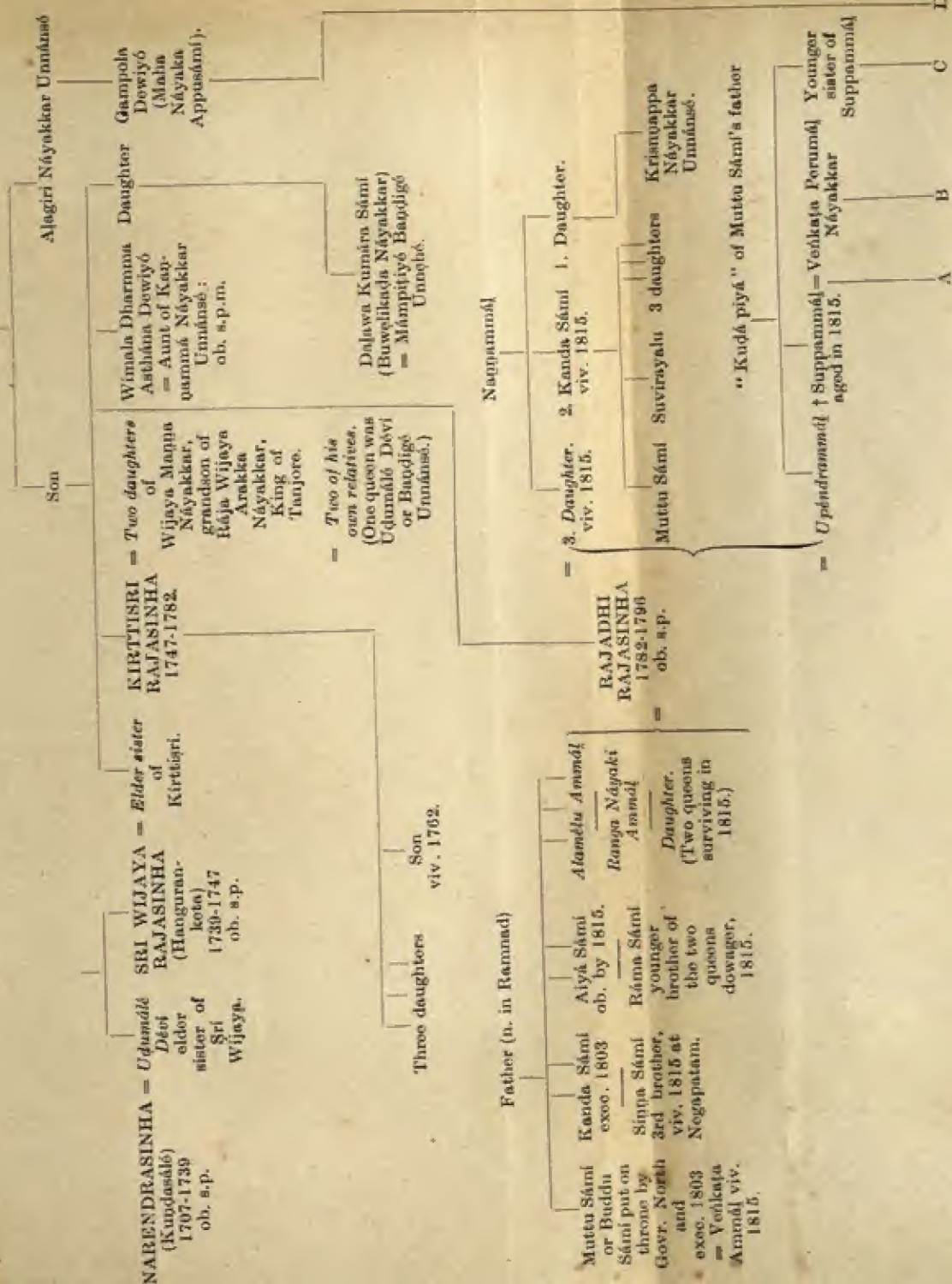
This procession, which was most magnificent, was conducted with the greatest regularity; not the smallest disorder was observable.

The streets through which the procession passed, were strewed with a white composition, as an emblem of purity; the houses in the town were all ornamented with the young plantain trees. The decorations around the temple were most tastefully designed: all the pillars were covered with cocoanuts and various flowers.

The square in front of the palace was very handsomely illuminated at night; and groups of boys, dressed as dancing-girls, were exhibiting in all quarters.

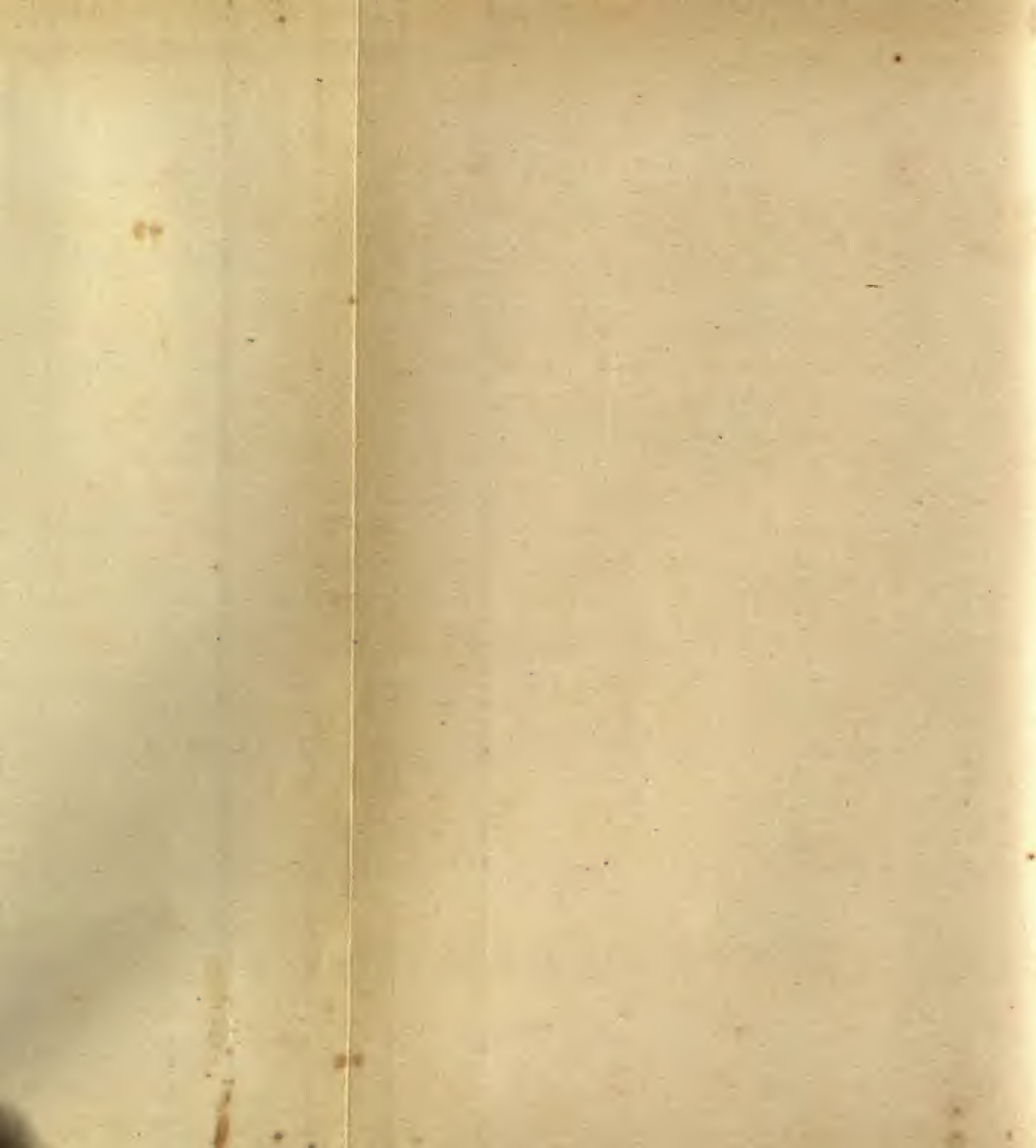


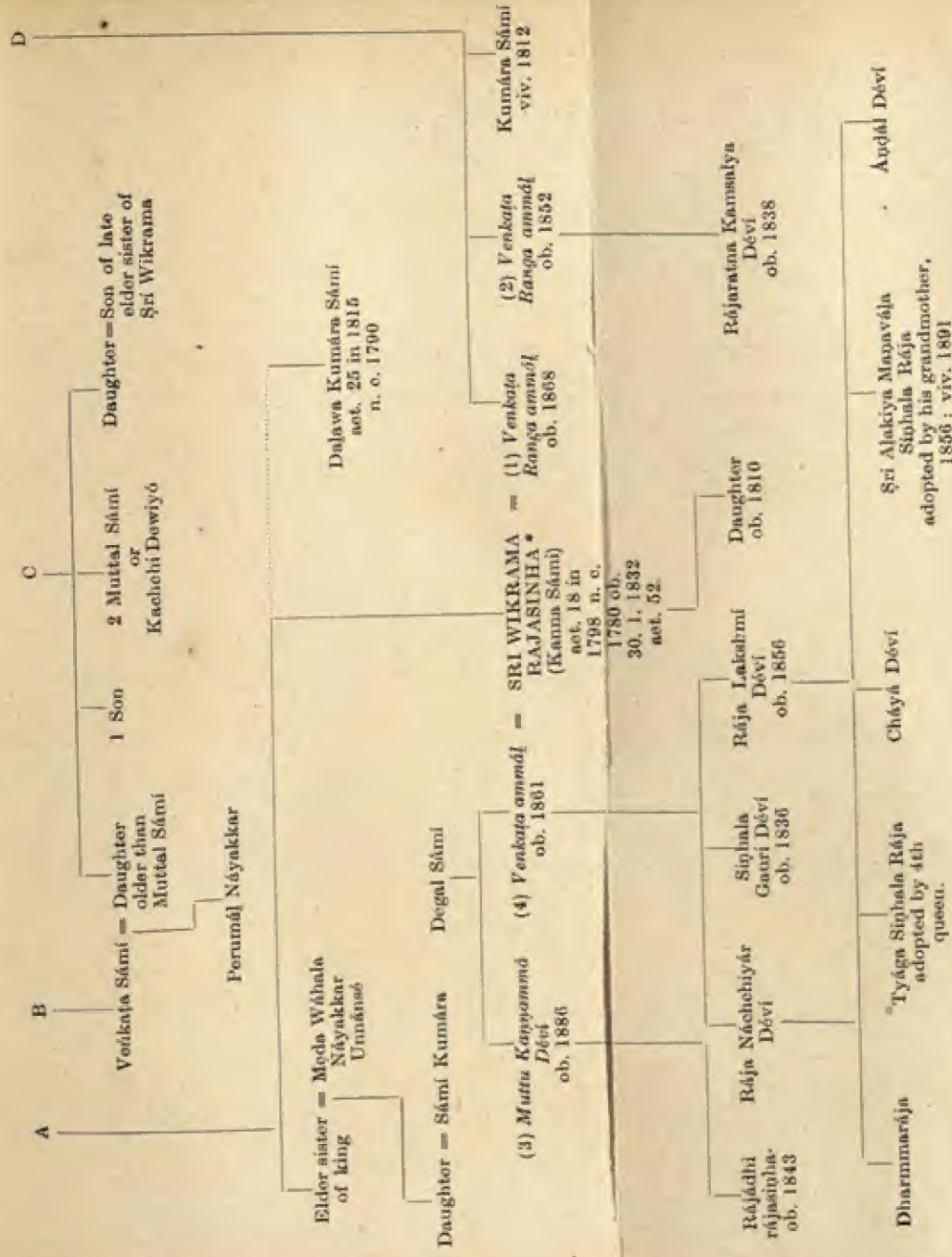
PEDIGREE OF THE MADURA DYNASTY OF KANDY.*



* Compiled from D'Oyley's Diary, the Correspondence of the Board of Commissioners and other official documents, the Narrative of the Affairs of Kandy (Taylor, *Oriental Historical Manuscripts*, vol. 11, appendix G).

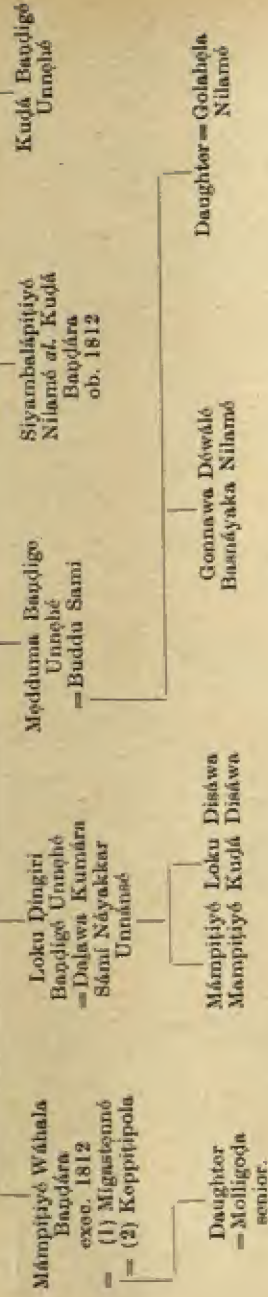
† Youngest sister of Venúkaṣa Perumál (Narrative); sister of Rájádhirája Sinha and younger than Kirttisiri (*Maháwamsa*, supplement v. 19); sister of one of Rájádhirája Sinha's queens (Davy, *Interior of Ceylon*, p. 312).





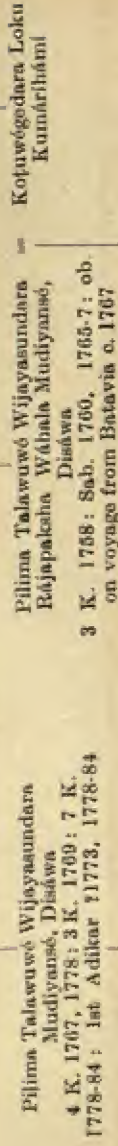


KIRTISRI by Mampitiyē
RAJASINHA



PEDIGREE OF PILIMA TALAWUWE.

Pilima Talawuwē
2nd Adikar 1742, 1st Adikar 1761



1 Daughter

Māraḥandē ? = 2 Pilima Talawuwē
Wijayaasundara
Rājakarupā Senēvi-
ratna Abhayakōṇ
Paḍḍita Mudiyaasē,
1st Adikar, exoc. 1811

Daughter = Dodanwāla
dr. of junior Adikar

Golaḥēla *al.*
Koppitipola
Diwa Nīlāmē
= Monaruwēla

Koppitipola *al.*
Monaruwēla
Disāwa of Ūwa
exoc. 1818
= Delwala

Koppitipola
Menikē
exoc. 1814
= Eḥelēpola
Adikar

Pilima Talawuwē Menikē viv.
a widow in 1815
= (1) Migastennō jr. Adikar
who ob. c. 1808 (divorced)
= (2) Eḥelēpola Adikar
after 1815

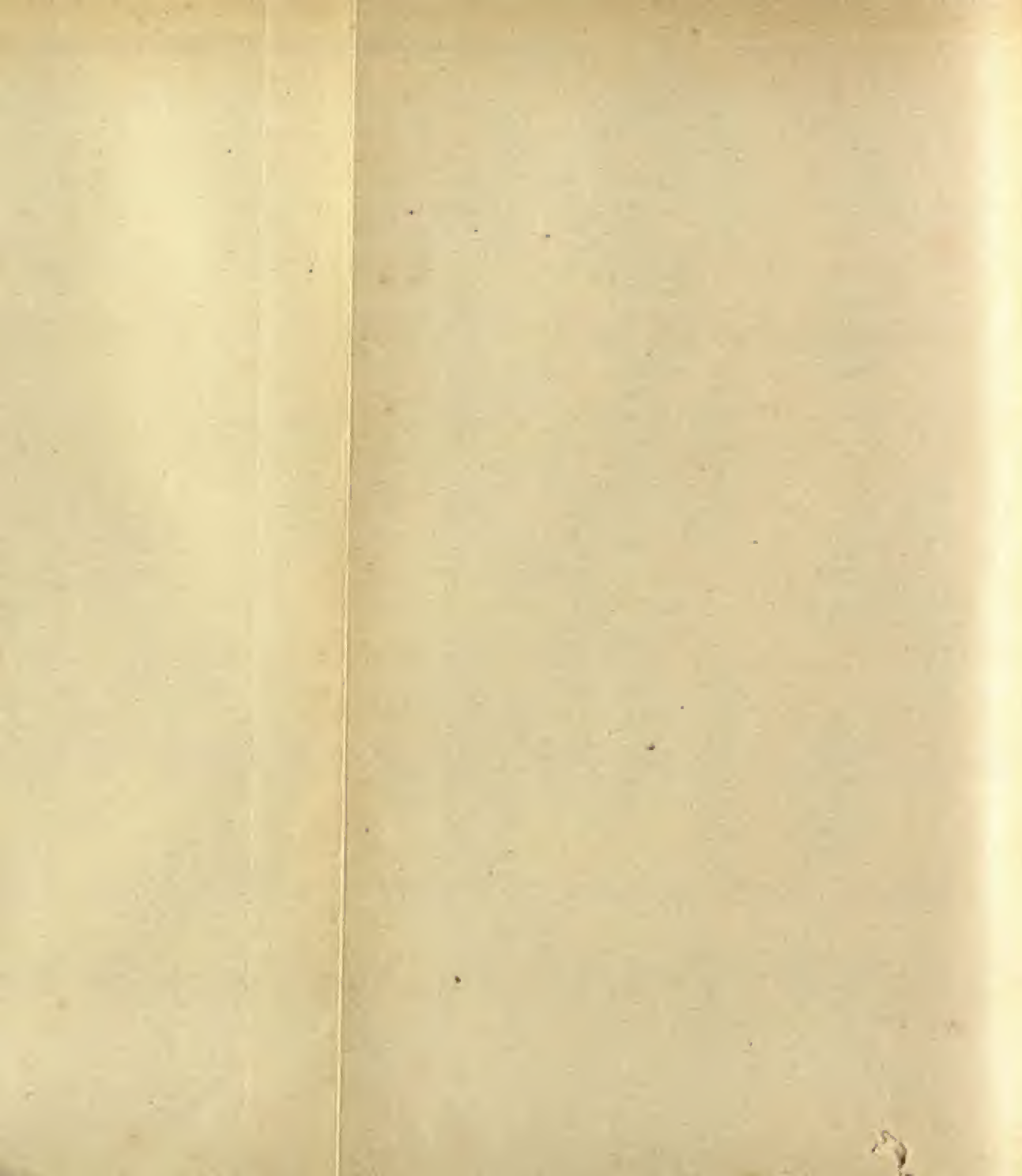
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Menikē
= Ratwatte Dewa-
moddē Disāwa,
exoc. 1811

Pilima Talawuwē jr. Disāwa
4 K. 1810-11, Diwa Nīlāmē
1812: Disāwa 4 K. 1815-16;
7 K. 1816-18: banished and
ob. s. p. 1833
= Molligoda Loku Kumāri-
hāmi, sister of Adikar
= Maralande

Udanwita (2) = Pilima Talawuwē *al.* Kapuwattē Wijayaasundara Rājakarupā Navaratna Atta-
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Wellasa 1810; 2nd Adikar & Disāwa Sab. 1814-17: Diwa Nīlāmē 1815-17.

Udanwita d.
Kapuwattē Diwa
Nīlāmē (ob. c. 1807)
& Kobbēkaḍuwē
Kumārāhāmi

Mampitiyē (1) = Kapuwattē Kumārāhāmi ob. s. p. 1884. = (2) Angammana Baasāyaka Nīlāmē
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of the Dugganpá Unnansé, by
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